

Rutland Historical Society

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January 27, 1922

BRIDGE TO GET WOODEN PAVING

Proposed Repair to River
Street Structure Will Use
Hillside Blocks.

SLOPE WILL BE PAVED.

Structure Is Not Strong Enough
To Have Concrete Used
In Floor.

The \$2000 which was appropriated at a special meeting of the board of aldermen Wednesday evening for the repair of River Street bridge will be used to repair that part of the structure which constitutes the slope or ramp on the Post Street side of the bridge.

This part of the bridge will be wood paved with Hillside Blocks on a tongue and groove flooring on seven-inch eye-beams, 15 1-2 pounds to the lineal foot. This sort of construction is guaranteed for 10 years and is known to be solid and practically free from vibration.

Such a construction will eliminate the present high cost of maintenance, it is believed. Each of the wooden blocks used in such pavement work is creosoted and made suitable for subjection to the hardest kind of traffic. Pavement of this kind has been used with great success in the larger city work in Boston along Commonwealth Avenue from Boston to Brighton.

There will be 160 feet of wooden pavement laid on the River Street structure. In making estimates for the repair of this bridge, the problem was undertaken with the knowledge that the present structure is not strong enough to stand any concrete work. The Hillside Block method was decided upon by the public works department because when the work is completed the flooring will weigh no more than the two thicknesses of planks that are already there, but which lack the durability of the proposed improvement.

The Rutland News
January 4, 1922

EDDY COMPANY FINDS ICE 15 INCHES THICK

Give Employment to 50 Men—
—9000 Tons Already
Harvested

For the past 10 days about 50 men have been employed at the pond of the Eddy Ice Company just south of this city and up to last night more than 9,000 tons of ice had been harvested. The ice is 15 inches thick and, according to Ora A. Ferguson, manager of the company, it is exceedingly clear. It will take three or four more days to finish the job and put in the 3000 tons more that the company plans to cut.

Besides the work done at the Eddy Ice Company Pond, about 1500 tons have been harvested on the pond of the Combination Cash Store Company's farm on the Stratton Road.

Last summer when Burlington had an ice famine and was forced to borrow from Rutland reserves the company sent about 1500 tons to the city on Lake Champlain.

The Rutland News
February 27, 1922

PIPES MUST BE LAID BEFORE APRIL 15TH

New Concrete Highway Will
Not Be Cut Into For
Five Years

Owners of building lots along West Street, Columbian Avenue and State Street, along the course of the concrete road which is to be constructed on those streets this coming summer have all been notified by the commissioner of public works that any construction of sewer lines or application for water pipes must be made at the commissioner's office before April 15th. The new concrete road will be started in the near future and no permission will be granted to cut through the new highway for a period of five years.

It is the work of the street department to bring water pipes to the property of any citizen, but, contrary to what is sometimes believed to be the case, the department is not required to construct the sewer lines. That work must be done by the property owner.

Each owner of lots along these three streets has been notified at this early date in order that there may be no misunderstanding and that no citizen may claim that he was not given due notice of the necessity of getting this construction completed by the middle of April.

\$25,000 DAMAGE TO GLENN STATION

VOLUMES OF WATER FLOOD PLANT EARLY THIS MORNING

Operator Houlihan Has Narrow Escape--Seven
Foot Pipe Line Has Drop of 1700 Feet In
Three-Quarters of Mile--Flood Mystery.

At twenty minutes past seven this morning the water turbine of the No. 2 unit at the apparently ill-fated Glenn power plant at Mill Village flew to pieces from some unaccountable cause and for over two hours a huge volume of water, representing hundreds of dollars poured through the building, smashing doors and windows and putting the entire plant completely out of operation for days to come.

The damage is estimated at \$25 000.

The Glenn station, which is the property of the Rutland Railway, Light and Power Company, was the scene of a similar accident on the 31st day of last October when the generator of the No. 1 unit of the plant collapsed, doing a damage estimated at \$60,000.

Operator Frank Houlihan was alone in the station this morning when the catastrophe happened. He was coming up from the basement with a pail of paint when he heard the terrific grinding of smashing machinery followed a few seconds later by the pouring into the building of tons of water from the seven foot pipe line over the hill, with all the accumulated force of a 1700 foot drop from the reservoir. Operator Houlihan rushed into the office to telephone the alarm to the upper plant so that the gates might be closed but was unable to get near the phone and was forced to get out of the building through the office window. He succeeded in getting some of the windows open to take care partly of the enormous pressure of the water, an accomplishment which probably prevented the entire plant from collapsing like an egg shell. Before Houlihan was hardly out of the building, the water had torn the doors from their hinges and a raging torrent was pouring out of each end of the building.

Emptied at 9:45.

Operator Houlihan ran to the nearest telephone and succeeded in having the gates closed at the reservoir, but it was 9:45 o'clock this morning before the huge pipe line had emptied itself so that it was possible to get into the building.

During the two hours before the water stopped, the volume of water entering the plant so far exceeded the amount running out that the entire room in which the generators stand was practically full of water, some of which poured from the tops of the windows which reach nearly to the roof of the building. Pails, oil can, tools and other pieces of equipment from the plant rushed out on the mighty tide of water and some of these articles were deposited several hundred feet from the building.

Heavy Pieces Of Iron.

When the turbine first smashed pieces of iron and steel weighing several hundred pounds each flew from the generator in all directions with enough velocity to have fatally injured anyone who might have been in their way. Fortunately for the operator, he was on his way up from the basement and was not within range of any of the flying fragments. There were nine different holes in the windows on the east side of the building caused from flying bits of machinery.

It is difficult yet to estimate in dollars and cents just what damage was done this morning and the cause of the smash is mere conjecture; but one of the officials of the company was sure that \$25,000 was not too high a figure to show the damage accomplished. Not only will there be a loss from ruined machinery, but since the accident occurred during a time of high water when the operation of the plants was most needed, a further loss will be felt from the waste of so much water and the electric power it represents.

May Buy Power.

So serious a blow was this morning's smash-up to the power company that it may be necessary to buy power from the New England Power company for some time.

The generator which was smashed at the time of the accident last October just resumed operation yesterday and the plant was considered ready for a long period of service when the crash came this morning. The uninjured generator was completely soaked today and will not be in operation for some time.

The well graded embankment on the north side of the building, in which direction most of the water made its escape from the plant was partially washed away and the soil completely removed from the foundations of the building on that side. There was nothing in the building that escaped a drenching.

The Rutland News
March 18, 1922



The above orchestra, known as Bartsmen's Melody Men was organized last October by Webster D. Barter of this city and has already filled engagements in many yarts of the State as well as furnishing music at many Rutland entertainments during the winter season. From left to right, the personnel of the orchestra is as follows: Leroy Barter, banjo; Eddie Edwards, drums; Joseph Seff, trombone; Charles Howard, saxaphone; Webster D. Barter, trumpet; Paul Pelton, piano, and Clarence Langlois, violin.

FIND ORIGINAL DOCUMENT OF 1785 TRANSFERRING COUNTY SEAT FROM TINMOUTH HERE

COPY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY RUTLAND COUNTY
CONVENTION OF NEARLY CENTURY AND HALF
AGO IS NOW IN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE IN THIS
CITY—PROVIDES FOR GAOL.

The original copy of the resolutions adopted by a Rutland County convention in 1785 which moved the county seat from Tinmouth to Rutland and declared how large the county should be was recently presented to the City of Rutland by Edward C. Taylor, town clerk of Tinmouth and former county senator, and is now framed and on exhibition in the office of County Clerk George N. Harman at the County Court building on Center Street.

In looking over some old papers in the desk of the town clerk in Tinmouth, Mr. Taylor discovered the paper which is signed in pen by Brewster Higley, town clerk of Tinmouth in 1785. Above the name of Mr. Higley, appears the names of

the 12 delegates who took part in the conventions, their names being appended to the clauses of the resolutions, written in ink with several erasures and crossed out phrases.

The resolutions show that Rutland county was intended to include seven towns and that the court house and jail was spelled gaol in resolutions) should be erected in Rutland.

The first signature on the paper is that of Reubin Harman, who was the great, great uncle of County Clerk George N. Harman. The other eleven signers are James Mead, Obediah Noble, Elihu Smith, Darius Chipman, Eli Cogswell, Philip Priest, Benjamin Hecqck, James Ewing, Thomas McClure, John Grant and Alisha Mosley.

The Rutland News
April 20, 1922

New Publication To Be Issued At Rutland High

Work has started on the publication of a school paper to be known as the "Red and White," to be edited by Granville Beale of this city in connection with the college preparatory division of senior English of the Rutland High School, in charge of M. E. Walbridge. In addition to the editor-in-chief the staff will consist of the following: Assistant editor, Herman Sherburne; business manager, George Ward; exchange editor, Dorothy Bellerose; local editor, Edward Tracy; sports editor, Elberie Gosselin; associate editors, Francis B. Shaw, Milford Smith and John Hinchey.

There are to be two issues this year, one May 18, at the time of the baseball fair, and the other at commencement. It will be in magazine form.

The Rutland News⁴
April 26, 1922

BONDS AWARDED AT MEETING OF CITY ALDERMEN

R. M. Grant and Co. of Boston
Furnishes \$107,000 to City
For the Road and School
Work.

GARAGE BUILDERS ARE ACTIVE IN RUTLAND

At a special meeting of the board of aldermen held Monday evening at city hall, at which every alderman was present, it was voted to award the city bonds amounting to \$107,000 which were recently voted, to R. M. Grant and company of Boston. There were 15 bidders in all and Grant and Company received the unanimous vote of the city fathers. Of the \$107,000 worth of bonds, \$50,000 worth are street improvement bonds, \$25,000 worth for widening Grove Street and the remaining \$32,000 for improvements and additions to the Longfellow school building on Church Street.

The motion for the awarding of the bonds was made by Alderman Pratt.

At the meeting Monday evening the following building permits were granted subject to approval of the inspector of buildings: M. G. Anderson and wife to build a garage at 38 Hazel Street; John W. Gleason to build an addition to his house at 150 River Street; N. C. Flory to build a garage at 41 Kingsley Avenue; Joseph Lacasse to build a garage near his residence at 8 Clover Street; George E. Laird to build a garage at 258 South Main Street; Giovanni Notte to build a barn on his property at 63 Howe Street; James H. Ryan to build a piazza on his house at 114 Park Avenue and Dr. H. H. Yarrington to build a garage at 52 Church Street.

Permit was given L. F. Miner to install a gasoline pump on his property at 20 Pine Street.

The aldermen voted to pay a bill of \$1.80 for a hen owned by Bridget Griffin that recently met an untimely death when she disputed the right of way with some dogs.

The Rutland News
March 29, 1922

EVELYN STREET BLOCK SOLD TO McLAUGHLIN

M. H. McLaughlin of this city has purchased the wooden block at 7, 9, 11, and 13 Evelyn Street, from Judge Fred M. Butler. The building consists of two stories and a basement and the property is said to have been purchased for about \$10,000.

The building was constructed about 35 years ago and is occupied at the present time by Barney Rosen, Clifford Undertaking parlors and the Carty Motor cycle shop. The Clifford undertaking parlors have been located at their present quarters for about 29 years.

The Rutland News
April 20, 1922

Barber Shop For Children Planned

Many Improvements And
Changes Being Made
In Sterns' Store

Rutland is soon to have one of the largest and most up-to-date dry goods stores in the State of Vermont when the present plans are completed by the Charles Sterns Company who are making many modern improvements in their store with the purpose of tendering better service to their customers in Rutland and surrounding towns.

It is now expected that the plans which are underway will be completed sometime between May first and June 15, in so far as the second floor is concerned. On this floor there will be a complete department devoted exclusively to infant's and children's apparel. This room is to be 25x80 feet and will be equipped with a modern kiddie's barber shop with a trained children's barber in charge. It will be modern in every respect.

There will also be a rest room on the second floor that will be equipped with every convenience where women of Rutland and surrounding towns can spend their leisure time or use it as a meeting place. This room is to be equipped with a telephone, writing desk and stationery as well as magazines and reading matter.

The millinery department will be enlarged greatly, newly equipped and moved to a new location in the front part of the store.

These new improvements have been made possible by the taking on the addition of the Root block at No. 19 Merchants Row which adjoins the present store.

When the work and plans are completed the Charles Sterns Company will occupy three entire floors and basement at 19, 21 and 23 Merchants Row.

The Rutland News
April 23, 1922

CONCRETE WORK STARTS MONDAY ON STATE ST.

One Mile of Road Under Construction at Entrance to City Near Evergreen Cemetery—Ready For Concrete.

NEW CONCRETE MIXER IS BEING UTILIZED

Twenty-five hundred feet of the new road which is being laid from Evergreen Cemetery to the corner of Pierpoint Avenue and State Street are ready for concreting which will start Monday of next week, according to a statement made this morning at the department of public works. The highway is 18 feet wide and about a mile in length.

Beginning Monday it will be necessary for traffic coming to this city from West Rutland to detour at the Swedish Church to the Ripley Road. Traffic going toward West Rutland will detour by way of the Ripley Road.

Six cars of cement have been delivered at the spot where the new construction is being carried on and the new mixer recently purchased by the city is in operation near Evergreen Cemetery. This new mixer is what is known as a Lakewood three-bag machine.

During this week the 2500 hundred feet of road which is to be concreted next week have been scarified, reshaped, rolled and graded. In the construction of the mile of highway at this point 1000 feet of Blaw-Nox steel forms will be used and the road will be screeded, rolled with a steel roller, belted and broomed. There will be expansion joints every 50 feet.

This new piece of concrete highway leading into the city is the first work to be done this year on the road program planned for the summer of 1922.

The Rutland News
July 27, 1922

SMITH LUMBER COMPANY WILL PUT UP BLOCK

Land Purchased For New
Building Near Williams
West Street Garage.

Within a year's time, a new block will be erected on West Street by the Smith Lumber company. Although details of the contemplated building plans are not yet fully worked out, this statement was authorized yesterday afternoon by an official of the company. It is not known how soon ground will be broken for the proposed structure.

The land on which the new building will stand was purchased several days ago from Harry B. Holmes of Cottage Street and has a frontage of 55 feet. The new block will be just east of the W. H. Williams garage and a short distance from the corner of Wales Street.

A building is now standing on these premises which is occupied by a restaurant. The ownership of this building is retained by Mr. Holmes and he has agreed to remove that building from the premises within 30 days.

Just what use will be made of the building they intend to erect is still to be decided upon, according to officials of the lumber company. It is possible that some of the space will be used for storage purposes and that the ground floor will be fitted up as a store in which building supplies will be on sale.

It is probable that the company will continue to use their buildings at their present location at 321 West Street for the storage of lumber.

The Rutland News
May 18, 1922

Kiddies' Barber Shop To Be Opened In Store

Sterns' Company Is First In
Rutland to Try Out This
Scheme.

Saturday will be the opening day of the new kiddie's barber shop in the new children's department at the Charles Sterns' Company store. The shop is to be in charge of J. Garron of Proctor, who, for the past two years has been in charge of the kiddie's barber shop in the Jordan-Marsh Company store, Boston.

The barber shop is equipped with two Koch chairs, one for the little tots and another for older children. The walls in the room will be decorated with pictures and stories. Adjoining the barber shop a new department has been installed featuring children's novelties.

In the new department there is also a ladies' rest room which is spacious, airy and comfortable, with wash room attached. The rest room, which has not been quite completed, will be furnished complete with writing desks in which writing material for the free use of patrons may be had.

The millinery department has been given more room by the addition of the new department and in this department two new "try-on rooms" have been fitted out as well as two especially designed triplicate mirrors.

The new department has been made possible by the addition of the entire block of 19 Merchants Row which gives the Charles Sterns & Company at the present time premises known as 19, 21 and 23 Merchants Row.

The Rutland News
May 20, 1922

CAMPING SITE NEARLY READY

Signs Put Up Yesterday Ad-
vertise Place For Tourists
to Stop.

The work of building the fireplace at the new camping site at the Milo Lester farm on the Pittsford road to be conducted during the coming summer by the Rutland Chamber of Commerce was completed last evening. A comfortable building in which all conveniences were installed was also completed last night and several tables with long benches for the use of campers were placed this morning.

The fireplace is made of cobblestone with chimney six feet high which is brick lined and flanked on either side by iron grates two feet across. The ovens are lined with brick and in front are doors so that the interior of the ovens may be cleaned.

Two camping signs were erected yesterday afternoon on the road to Pittsford, one directly in front of the site and the other a few rods beyond. Others erected today included two on South Main Street, one on the Creek Road, two on Woodstock Avenue, one in Center Rutland near Ripley crossing and one on Grove Street road.

The signs are attractive and are made of galvanized iron being 3 by 4 feet with black background and white letters which read as follows: "Camping Grounds for Motorists, Rutland, Vt., Inquire of the Rutland Chamber of Commerce."

Other smaller signs which are also made of galvanized iron 14 by 20 feet are being placed along the highways today every two and one-half miles within a radius of 50 miles of Rutland. These signs have the same wording as the large signs. The larger signs are erected on steel posts.

Several inquiries have been received during the week at the Chamber of Commerce relative to camping sites in Vermont and in the vicinity of Rutland and it is expected that the new camping site which is about completed will be a drawing card for Rutland this year.

The Rutland News
May 17, 1922

WILL ENLARGE FAIR GROUNDS GRAND STAND

Fair Officials Decided on Several Improvements, To Handle Larger Crowd.

The Rutland fair officials met yesterday afternoon at the fair grounds to consider the matter of permanent improvements to be made for the coming season. It was decided during the meeting to extend the grandstand to the west and south, following the curve of the track, making an addition of 100 feet long. This will make the seats face to the south and east, affording an unobstructed view of the race track and especially the finish of all races.

New Vaudeville Stand.

It was also decided to erect another vaudeville stand west of the present judges' stand, which will make the new seats as desirable as any in the stand, as all the vaudeville acts will now give a performance each afternoon on both stands.

The land will be graded around the new addition, and the space under the seats will be finished off in an up-to-date manner for concessions.

Will Move Horse Barns.

It was decided to take down two horse barns in the northwest corner, near the B & R. track, and re-erect them in the southeast corner where most of the horse barns now are.

These improvements will be begun immediately, to avoid the rush just before the fair. Other minor improvements will be made as necessity may require.

The entire matter of improvements was left to a committee of three, with President Will Davis as president of the committee.

The Rutland News
July 25, 1922

GRANDSTAND AT FAIR GROUNDS IS ENLARGED

The last section of Barn C., being removed from the northwest corner to the southeast corner of the fairgrounds has been taken down and the barn is now in process of completion. These barns originally contained 28 stalls each, but when re-erected the stalls will be larger, each barn containing 20 stalls.

The frame work of the 120 foot addition to the grandstand is being erected this week. This addition is on the west end and is built at a slight angle to the other part, the extreme west end being nearer the track.

When completed, this addition will allow the sale of 1500 more seats and these will be for general grandstand seats, no reserve seats being in this section.

The Rutland News
July 21, 1922

Auto Show of 1922 Fair Will Be Housed In Tent

Committee Vetoes Plan To Erect New Building This Year For Autos.

The trustees of the Rutland fair have decided not to put up a new building for automobiles this year owing to the high cost of material and labor. The committee which was recently appointed by the trustees to investigate regarding this matter reported this week against the plan.

Plans had been made for a large round building capable of housing and showing 60 cars and which would have been one of the most attractive buildings on the grounds.

Arrangements are now being made for a large tent 50x220 feet in length to be located on the site of last year's automobile show.

It is a great disappointment to the fair officials not to be able to have this building this year and members of the committee said today that they will make a special effort to make the show in the tent unusually attractive and convenient for visitors and exhibitors.

Numerous applications from firms dealing in accessories have been received this week as well as from dealers in motor cars and indications point to one of the largest displays of cars ever held by the association.

The Rutland News
July 31, 1922

RUTLAND CIGAR MAKER MOVES TO NEW HAVEN

William J. Quebec of South Main Street has severed his connection with the David G. Quebec Cigar Company of Rutland and leaves tomorrow morning for New Haven, Conn., where he will make his future home.

Mr. Quebec came to Rutland about seven years ago and was largely instrumental in the organization and development of the present business here.

Mr. Quebec has a large acquaintance in Rutland and surrounding towns.

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May 30, 1922

MEMORIAL DAY WIDELY OBSERVED IN RUTLAND

inscribed on the Memorial Boulder:

BERT A. BARRETT.
THOMAS BASHAW.
NICHOLAS BELIFORE.
HENRY T. BOLDUC.
HAROLD BROWN.
BENJAMIN CARTER.
FREDERICK P. CLEMENT, JR.
GRANT H. CUTLER.
JOHN DOUGHERTY.
ALBERT FRESSELL.
WILLIAM H. GLEASON.
FRANK CORRUSO.
ALFRED GRATTON.
WILLIAM W. GREEN.
EARL HORTON.
CARMINE IENCO.
HARLIE T. JOHNSON.
ROLAND W. JOHNSON.
FRED P. KING.
THOMAS E. LaFOND.
NELSON E. LaFRANCE.
WILLIAM C. LYNCH.
JOHN F. McCORMACK.
JOHN MULLIN.
GEORGE E. MYLOTT.
KENNETH C. NOURSE.
CARL W. PERKINS.
WALTER F. PERKINS.
WILLIAM F. RICE.
MARTIN V. ROWE.
STARK SMITH.
ROBERT J. SULLIVAN.
GEORGE A. SWINNERTON.
LESTER TAYLOR.
WILLIAM P. TIGHE.
JOHN PROUT WEST.

Fifteen of these men were members of Company A, and members of the present Company A, today placed a large floral wreath at the base of the boulder.

Legion Decorates Graves.

Members of the American Legion today decorated the graves of every service man in Rutland county who died during the war since the armistice. Delegations of Legion men from Rutland left this morning to visit the graves outside the city.

At 1:30 o'clock this afternoon the Memorial Day parade was formed on Merchants Row. It followed a line of march through the business district of the city to the armory where services began at 2 o'clock at which Martin S. Vilas of Burlington was to be the principal speaker.

March To Cemetery.

Following the exercises at the armory, the line reformed and marched to the West Street Cemetery where the G. A. R., services were held. On each grave of a veteran of the Grand Army, a geranium was planted by the Sons of Veterans.

The order of the parade this afternoon and the organizations taking part were: Platoon of police; Capt. E. M. Knox, marshal of the day; Capt. William J. Kelley, parade marshal; Rutland City Band; Company A; Headquarters Company; Medical Company; Killington Commandery; St. Peter's Cadets; Spanish-American War Veterans; Rutland Post, American Legion; Veterans of Foreign Wars; Roberts Post, G. A. R., and Sons of Veterans.

The Rutland News
June 16, 1922

GROVE STREET PROPERTY HOLDERS MUST MOVE

Land Must Be Ready For
Work By December 15th
of This Year.

All property owners affected by the widening of Grove Street have been ordered by the Board of Highway Commissioners to "remove all building, fences, timber, wood and trees therefrom, so that said lands may be laid out and open for work within six months from the 15th day of June, 1922." This action which was taken yesterday would indicate that the actual work of widening the street will start early next spring.

The plan for widening this street was first brought to the attention of the highway commissioners on October 18, 1921 when a petition signed by nearly 30 property-holders was presented them asking that Grove Street from West to State be widened by re-establishing as the westerly boundary line, a line 15 feet farther west than the present line.

On the 17th day of April of this year a meeting was held of all of the property holders affected by the widening of the street together with the highway commissioners, after which the commissioners recommended that the street be widened for the good of the city.

An extensive program of road repair and road building work has already been planned for this summer and it was thought best to put over the work on Grove Street until early spring of next year. The Grove Street widening is expected to be the first piece of work started on the 1922 road program.

—LOCAL

The Rutland News
August 1, 1922

WILL REMODEL ENTIRE EVELYN STREET BLOCK

**M. H. McLaughlin Announces
Plans For Butler Property
He Purchased.**

The property on Evelyn Street, known as the Butler block, which was recently purchased by M. H. McLaughlin, contractor, is soon to undergo many improvements, according to a statement made this morning by Mr. McLaughlin.

Architects are now at work planning the remodeling of the entire interior of the building and it is understood that the renovation will be started within a few days.

Mr. McLaughlin will move his plumbing business from his present location, 5 Evelyn Street, to the center store in the block which was vacated today by Barney Rosen. This store will be made over into a show room and Mr. McLaughlin's offices will be on the second floor directly over this store.

A plumbing and heating system is to be installed throughout the entire block and sky lights and ventilators will also be put in.

The undertaking parlors of John P. Clifford will also be remodeled and redecorated. A new steel ceiling will be put in as well as electrical fixtures and new furnishings. This store is to be enlarged considerably with the addition of a morgue and large parlor.

The store occupied at the lower side of the block by the Canty Motorcycle Company will also be remodeled and redecorated.

New electric fixtures will be installed throughout the block and two basement stores will be added with concrete floors.

Mr. McLaughlin hopes to have the block in readiness the latter part of August, at which time he will move his business to the new quarters.

ARLINE SHATTUCK NEAREST TO PERFECT BABY

Little Chester Girl Wins Hon-
ors in Better Babies Con-
test at Fair.

OVER 125 BABIES WERE JUDGED BY PHYSICIANS

Prize Winners in All Classes
Are Announced This Morn-
ing By Judges

Little Arline Shattuck of Chester was selected by physicians in charge of the Better Babies Contest to be more nearly a 100 per cent baby than any of the 128 babies entered in the Better Babies Contest which opened Monday at the Rutland fair and which closed this morning.

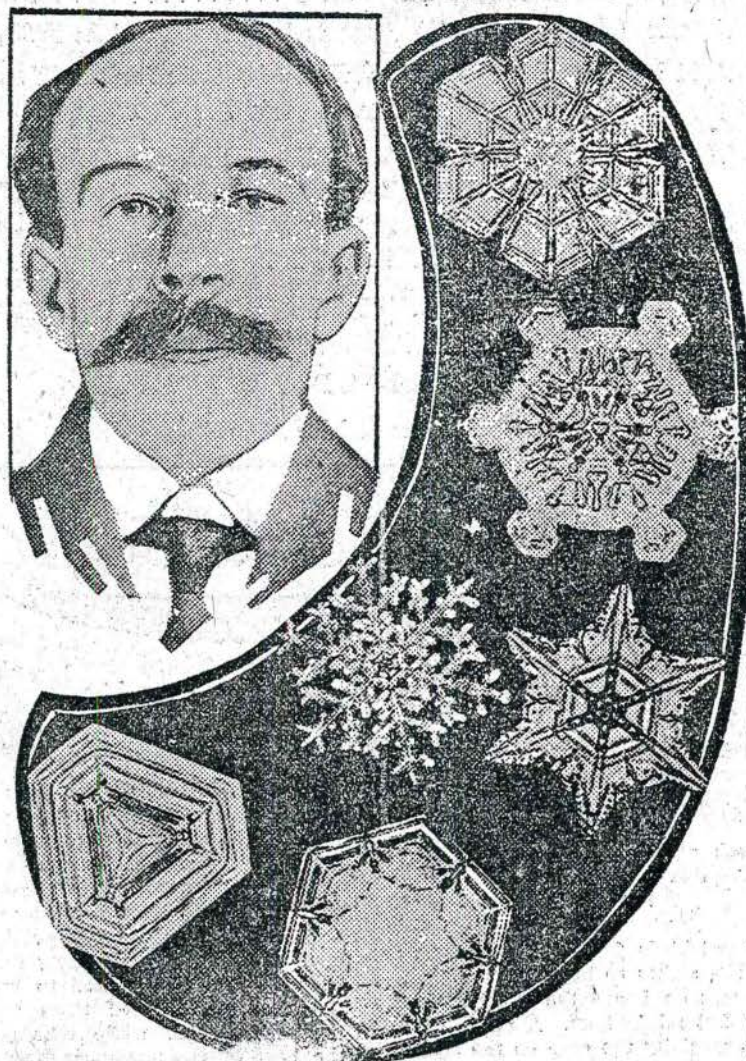
The following Rutland babies and babies from surrounding towns were winners in the contest: Class A division, 1, first prize, Paul, M. Crossman, Ira; 2nd, Charles Knapp, Pittsfield; 3rd, Herman Mathews, Middletown Springs. Division 2, 1st, Roland Lincoln, Ira; 2nd, Frederick Packard, East Clarendon. Division 3, 1st, Shirley Clark, Chittenden; 2nd, Shirley Gilmore, Ira; 3rd, Elizabeth Pratt, Clarendon. Division 4, 1st, Mary Heath, Shrewsbury; 2nd, Barbara Hill, Town of Rutland.

In Class B, Division 1, 1st prize, David J. Roberts, Poultney; 2nd, Malcolm Sergeant, North Clarendon; 3rd, Franklin Whitcomb, Fair Haven. Division 2, 1st, Richard T. Bowen, West Rutland; 2nd, Lewis J. Minnich, Poultney. Division 3, 1st, Arline Shattuck, Chester; 2nd, Charlotte Fredette, Center Rutland; 3rd, Ethel Richardson, Cavendish. Division 4, 1st, Marion Stockwell, Fair Haven; 2nd, Virginia Sager, Castleton 3rd, Shirley McCabe, West Rutland.

Class C, Division 1, first prize, Carroll Roberts, Rutland; 2nd Robert Ellison Rutland 3rd, Robert C. Bursey, Rutland. Division 2, 1st prize, Merald N. Cook, Rutland; 2nd, Robert L. Brown, Rutland; 3rd, Wilfred Anoe, Rutland. Division 3, 1st prize, Shirley G. Baird, Rutland; 2nd, Marguerita Coursy, Rutland; 3rd, Edna M. Baker, Rutland. Division 4, 1st prize, Dorothy LaVene, Rutland; 2nd, Barbara Sterns, Rutland.

The physicians who determined which babies should be the winners of the prizes which consisted of gold medals for first, silver medals for second and bronze medals for third, included Dr. F. H. Everett, Dr. R. H. Seeley, Dr. D. J. Carroll, Dr. W. G. Hodsdon and Dr. E. I. Hall. The physicians were assisted by Miss Mary A. Devlin, public health nurse, and by Mrs. Claude Capron.

Vermonter Is Now Busy At 'Shooting' Snowflakes



WILSON A. BENTLEY AND SNOWFLAKE PHOTOGRAPHS.

Jericho, Dec. 29.—It's the open season for snowflake hunting in the Green Mountains and Wilson A. Bentley, 57, self-made scientist, writer, farmer, piano teacher and lecturer, is happy today.

For 28 years he has been chasing flakes and "shooting" them with his camera with variable luck. But his catch this winter seems to be the best.

When the storm is heavier he sallies forth with his mittens and wooden tray. If luck is with him he catches a few choice specimens near his house and then rushes back to his laboratory. There he slips off his gloves, put on a cold pair, impales the flake on a feather, transfers it to a cold glass slide, slips it under a microscope and brings his camera into position.

Snowflake Designs Used in Bakeries.

If the flakes are thick and solid they may last a whole day for photographic purposes; if not, Bentley is out of luck. During a favorable winter he gets about 300 flakes. In all he has more than 4000 pictures which make the largest snowflake photographic collection in the world.

Of what practical use are these pictures?

"They are used as patterns," Bentley explains. "They have come to be used extensively in art schools, particularly in the classrooms of Boston. No two flakes are alike. Nature never repeats.

"Silk manufacturers use them as patterns for ties and dresses. Jewelers fashion delicate designs from ideas they get in snowflakes. Even biscuit makers are beginning to transfer nature's handiwork to their cookies."

The Rutland News
September 6, 1922

SHOW STUDENTS PLAN TO SAVE

Automatic Receiving Teller
Machines to be Placed in
Schools.

With the approval of the school commissioners, the superintendent of the public schools, the superintendent of the parochial schools and teachers in Rutland, the Rutland Savings bank will next week install an automatic receiving teller machine in the hall of every school building in the city whereby the scholars in the city may begin a systematic saving.

The students may deposit in these machines coins of 1 cent, 5 cents, 10 cents and 25 cents, and, as the coins are deposited, a stamp of equal value is received. These stamps are to be affixed to a folder furnished by the bank and the folder is to be taken to the Rutland Savings bank and a regular deposit book will be issued and the dollar placed on interest.

The success of this new system will depend largely on the parents and teachers as well as the children in the schools. The money in the machines will be collected daily by a bank representative.

It is understood that many city banks have carried out this system and that one Boston bank has, at the present time, over 50 machines in use.

The Rutland News
December 11, 1922

NATIONAL BANK BLOCK FINISHED

Extensive improvements in the Rutland County National Bank building on Merchants Row which have been underway for the past few months, are now practically completed, the structure now probably being one of the most up to date in the city of Rutland.

The store of H. S. Parker, which occupies the first floor of the building, 22 Merchants Row, has been entirely renovated and remodeled. An elevator service has been installed and Mr. Parker has moved his furniture business from the second floor which he has entirely taken over.

The undertaking business in charge of Charles R. Tossing, who has been connected with Mr. Parker in business for some time, will also be on the third floor of the building which has been made most convenient by use of the new elevator service.

The new undertaking establishment will now include a very attractive chapel which will seat about 85 people. The chapel is finished off in mahogany and gray, with blue velvet hangings and rug. Open display cases are on either side of the chapel, with dark blue velvet hangings. In the rear of the third floor a morgue has been built.

The Rutland County Bank has finished off the entire second floor, vacated by Mr. Parker, into modern offices. These offices will be occupied by State's Attorney Charles E. Novak who will move from his present offices in the Quinn block the first of the new year, F. H. Burnham, insurance agent, and others.

The Rutland News
September 19, 1922

Rutland Students Show Tendency To Save Money

The Rutland Savings bank this week installed several of the new savings slot machines in the various schools in the city and at one of the schools the machine was filled with coins within one-half hour after it was placed in the building.

W. W. Fairchild, superintendent of schools, stated this morning that the success of the school savings depends largely on three factors, the parents, the teachers and the scholars and that parents should realize the importance of savings and the benefits derived in times of need, from a fund carefully set aside, a little at a time.

The teachers have been asked by the superintendent to encourage the efforts of the bank to aid pupils in the art of thrift which is equal in importance to much of the knowledge gained from text books.

The Rutland News
September 2, 1922

RESTAURANT TO OPEN MONDAY

Chinese Dining Rooms Have
Been Equipped In Most
Modern Style.

Rutland's new Chinese restaurant on the second floor of the Finn and Laler block on Center Street will open for business Monday morning.

The work of remodeling and decorating the restaurant which has been underway for the past six weeks under the supervision of Lewis N. Geno of Maple Street, contractor, was practically completed this morning and it is probably one of the most attractive and modern restaurants in Vermont.

The interior which has a seating capacity of 150, has been finished off in old rose with mahogany panels. A new steel ceiling has been installed and the entrance to the new establishment has been made much wider, the stairway being made of white marble, furnished by the Manchester Marble company.

At the lower end of the restaurant nine private dining rooms have been made, each to accommodate six patrons. Old rose electrical fixtures add greatly to the setting.

A modern fire escape has been placed at the rear of the second floor and a modern Chinese range where American as well as Chinese cooking will be done has been installed. The cooking will be done by several Chinese assistants who have had extensive experience in this line of work.

W. L. Toy, proprietor of the restaurant, is a man of wide experience in this business. at the present time having several places of business in his charge one located at Burlington and others at Bangor and Portland Me.

Mr. Toy has installed a four refrigerator ammonia plant and in addition to the kitchen help he will have several local young women in charge of the dining room.

The new place of business will be decorated for the opening day with cut flowers, ferns and Chinese decorations and an orchestra will furnish music. A player piano will be installed within a few days.

The Rutland News
November 10, 1922

Legion To Conduct Memorial Services

Program Arranged to Center
Around Boulder In Main
Street Park.

A solemn service for the Rutland soldiers who died in the World War, will be held at the Memorial Boulder in Main Street Park tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock by the American Legion. The services will be brief.

The Legion has extended an invitation to all legionaires, auxiliary members, mothers and families of soldiers, the G. A. R., the D. A. R., and the general public in general to be present and pay homage to those who died for America.

Rev. E. C. Boynton, pastor of the Congregational Church and for a year a chaplain in the U. S. Navy, will deliver a eulogy and a prayer for those whose names appear on the monument and did not return from France. Commander George F. Jones will place a wreath on the monument as a silent tribute from the American Legion to those soldiers and sailors who died in action.

Miss Caroline Dye will recite "In Flanders Fields," a memorial poem written by Colonel MacRae, a Canadian officer, in the trenches. The author was killed shortly after the poem was first published.

Mrs. Cornie Glynn Cocklin will close the services by singing "The Star Spangled Banner."

Ex-service men are requested to meet at the Armory at 10.45 in the morning so that they may go to the boulder as a unit.

The Rutland News
September 13, 1922

EXPLAINS NEED OF MAIL BOXES

Postmaster West Urges Local
Citizens to Instal Some
Mail Receptacles.

Postmaster Charles H. West is sending out the following notice to Rutland citizens relative to private mail receptacles:

"The postoffice Department invites your attention to the benefits to be derived from the use of private mail receptacles. Such receptacles, in the form of a box or a slot in the door, obviate the necessity of patrons responding to the carrier's call at inconvenient moments, permit the safe delivery of mail at all times, and contribute materially to the efficiency of the service. When not compelled to await a response to his ring, the carrier is enabled to cover his route more expeditiously and make prompter deliveries, especially to those residing near the end of his route. With a safe place in which to deposit the mail at all times the carrier is enabled to reduce to a minimum the amount of mail returned to the office because of the temporary absence of patrons or failure to get prompt response to his ring.

Your prompt attention to this matter will result in improved service to your entire community and be appreciated by the Department.

Mr. West said this morning that in the 13 different routes in Rutland over 700 homes are without mail receptacles which makes extra work for the carriers and often times means that mail is blown away and lost.

The Rutland News
January 5, 1923

ICE HARVEST IS SOON TO BEGIN

**Creed, Eddy & Copps Company
Planning Now to Cut In
Vicinity of 8000 Tons.**

The Creed, Eddy & Copps Ice company are now preparing to cut their yearly ice harvest at their pond on Keenan and Stratton Roads at the foot of Bald Mountain.

A brigade of shovelers and horse-drawn scrapers are at work today removing the heavy fall of snow which has greatly delayed workmen in marking and cutting the ice.

Plan To Make Large Cut.

The company plan to cut between seven and eight thousand tons of ice during the month, and if freezing weather continues it is expected that it will be possible to mark the ice the latter part of this week and cut and pack it the early part of next week.

The company erected two new ice houses last year, each ice house to hold about 1000 tons.

Business Greatly Increased.

At the close of the war the company purchased the ice plant from the Rutland Ice Company and since that time have greatly increased their business. The water in the pond where the ice is cut covers 9 1/2 acres. It comes from springs at the foot of Bald Mountain, and this is the largest ice pond in the city of Rutland. The company built a dam two years ago in order to increase the area. About four acres of this pond have never been cut over, so that this offers fine skating opportunities throughout the winter on this part of the pond.

The Rutland News
January 11, 1923

RUTLAND COUNTY BANK IS PUTTING IN A NEW FRONT

Extensive repairs are being made on the Rutland County National bank building on Merchants Row. During the past few days the six large Corinthian columns in front of the block have been removed and six small iron posts now replace them. The lower floor of the building is to be extended three feet toward the sidewalk and large plate glass windows will be installed.

An attractive marquis will be erected over the entrance to the bank and the entrance to the second floor, which has recently been made over into offices, will also be improved.

The work is being done under the direction of architects from the Kewneer company of Niles, Mich. It is expected that the work will be completed the latter part of February.

Elevator Conveys Ice.

The ice is carried from the pond by a chain elevator up a slide which is fitted with gates at various intervals. These gates are opened as desired, the ice dropping through, going from there down a slide which conveys it past the door of each ice house. At each door there is a switch that turns the ice into the house that is being packed. The elevator has a capacity of 100 tons per hour.

Horses Still Used.

Horses are still considered more practical than automobiles for house to house delivery, but automobiles, the firm claim, are much more economical in other branches and without them it would necessitate the use of two or three teams for each one now used. The wagons are refilled from automobiles.

It is understood that Rutland used more ice last year than in many previous years.

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January 5, 1923

SIGNS ARE ISSUED FOR RUTLAND SKATING RINK

**They Will Be Displayed When
Skating At Fair Grounds
Is to Be Enjoyed.**

Attractive signs have been made this week by the Rutland Chamber of Commerce which are to be used during the winter in connection with the Community skating rink at the Rutland fairgrounds.

The signs are of white background, on which is written in large red letters "Skating Good At Rink." In the center of the poster is painted a large red ball which is to be a symbol of good skating.

These signs will be placed in conspicuous places in the business section of the city when the skating is good and taken down when the rink is not in condition to skate on. This idea is carried out in New York, Worcester and other larger cities on a somewhat larger scale.

It was expected that the new rink would be ready for use this evening, but due to carelessness in letting the water run the greater part of the night the rink will not be in operation until Sunday.

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Carpenters have completed the work of installing six iron posts in front of the Rutland County National bank building on Merchants Row to replace the six large corinthian posts that have been taken out. It is expected that work of extending the front of the entire building out to the sidewalk three feet will be started within a few days.

The Rutland News
January 15, 1923

ICE CARNIVAL IS SET FOR FRIDAY

**Prizes Will Be Awarded For
Best Costumes and In Various
Skating Events.**

The season's event in the form of a skating carnival will be staged at the Community skating rink at the fair grounds next Friday evening, at 7:30 o'clock under the auspices of the Rutland Chamber of Commerce.

All skaters will be in costume and \$20 in gold will be awarded, a first prize of \$10 being offered to the woman wearing the best costume, \$10 in gold to the man wearing the best costume, as well as suitable prizes to the woman or man appearing in the most ridiculous apparel.

Band Will Be Heard.

The Rutland City Band will furnish music and during the fancy skating exhibition orchestral music will be furnished by the members of the band.

The schedule arranged by the committee in charge includes the following: 1-2 mile skating race for men; 1-4 mile skating race for men; 1-4 mile skating race for women; with suitable prizes.

Judging of Costumes.

Five Rutland business men and women whose names will not be announced, will act as judges, and the judges require all of those who appear in costume to have the names of what they represent written out on a piece of paper and to present this paper at the box office, in exchange for ticket. They will receive a number which is to be attached to the skater's arm. In this way the judges will have no trouble in selecting the first prize winner.

Refreshments will be served at the shack near the rink as well as hot drinks, for which a small fee will be charged.

Expect 1500 Present.

It is expected that over 1500 or more will be in attendance at the carnival, the first of its kind which has ever been staged in the city.

Arrangements have been completed with the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company to run a special car to Poultney at 11:30 o'clock in the evening and the only thing required to make the carnival the biggest affair of its kind, ever staged in the state is the weather.

The committee announce that children will not be allowed on the ice on the evening of the carnival.

The Rutland News
January 16, 1923

MANY ENTERED IN ICE CARNIVAL

**Costumes Will Include Those
of Local Make and Others
From Costume Houses.**

Rutland's ice carnival which is set for Friday evening, promises to be a big success. Many lodges and organizations are planning to enter representatives in costume, and many Rutland high school boys and girls will take part.

The committee in charge reports that there will be a great many contestants for first prize, and that the costumes will not be only of local making, but many are coming from regular costume houses in New York and Boston.

In addition to the \$10 in gold offered for the best woman's costume, and \$10 for the best men's costume, the winners of the different races scheduled will be presented a pair of hockey skates of their own selection. Two silver cups are offered as prizes for fancy skaters, and already a number of skaters have entered this class.

The committee in charge would like to have several more contestants for the half-mile and quarter mile races. Names may be entered at the Chamber of Commerce office, or with the men in charge at the Community Skating Rink.

The Rutland News
January 17, 1923

EVERYTHING READY FOR FRIDAY'S ICE CARNIVAL

**Races and Fancy Skating At
8 P. M., With Costume Judg-
ing Immediately After.**

At a meeting held last evening the Chamber of Commerce rooms by the committee in charge of the Winter Carnival, arrangements were completed for the big event Friday evening at the Fair Grounds. The ticket office will be open at 7 o'clock. Costume skaters will not be allowed on the ice until the sound of the gong at 7:30. The gong will sound again at 8 and the races and fancy skating will take place, then the costume skaters will line up for inspection of the judges and the prizes will be awarded. After that anyone else desiring to skate will be allowed to do so whether in costume or not.

An excellent musical program will be furnished during the entire evening and refreshments can be secured at the rest shack. The grounds will be well policed and strict orders will prevail.

The Rutland News
January 17, 1923

Sell Lunch Counter Privileges At Rink

**Magna-Vox Will Be Purchased
to Furnish Music Each Ev-
ening of Skating.**

At a special meeting last night of the winter sports committee of the Rutland Chamber of Commerce, of which W. F. Burbank is chairman, Fred Galarneau was sold the privilege of conducting a lunch counter in the shack near the community skating rink at the fair grounds. Mr. Galarneau was also given the right to conduct a checking room in the building.

Mr. Galarneau obtained permission from the committee to build a 10 by 10 foot addition to the shack, in which he will erect a serving counter.

Final plans were discussed for the carnival to be held at the rink Friday evening, and it was voted to purchase a magna-vox to be used at the rink to furnish music. This instrument will be heard for the first time next Friday evening and thereafter on every evening there is skating.

The Rutland News
January 18, 1923

SKATING CARNIVAL

COMMUNITY SKATING RINK

FAIR GROUNDS
FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 19

7.30 O'CLOCK

ALL SKATERS IN COSTUME
\$20 IN GOLD AWARDED BEST COSTUMES.

SUITABLE PRIZES FOR RACES.

FANCY SKATING EXHIBITION
BAND AND ORCHESTRA MUSIC

SPECIAL CAR TO POULTNEY, 11.30

ADMISSION: 35c; CHILDREN, 25c.

ADULTS IN COSTUME, 25c. Plus Tax.

COME ONE—::—COME ALL

The Rutland News
January 18, 1923

ICE CARNIVAL FRIDAY NIGHT

Many Sleighing Parties From
Nearby Towns Organized
to Attend.

Rutland's first ice carnival will open tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock at the community skating rink at the Rutland Fairgrounds. Everything has been done by the committee in charge to make the event the biggest of its kind ever held in Vermont.

A special car has been arranged to leave at midnight tomorrow for Poultney and it is understood that parties from Pittsford, Brandon, Wallingford and Ludlow are planning sleigh rides here in order to be present at the carnival.

The box office will open at 7 o'clock and skaters in costume will be allowed to go on the ice at 7:30 o'clock. Those in costume are requested to have the name of what they represent written on a card and left at the box-office when they secure their ticket.

Prizes will be on display tomorrow in the window of the United Talking Machine company.

During the evening of the carnival the grounds are to be well policed and a musical program will be carried out.

On account of the large attendance expected it is the desire of the Committee not to have the smaller children attend unless they are with their parents or guardians. Soon a children's carnival will be held on a Saturday afternoon, the date to be announced later.

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January 19, 1923

ALL READY FOR ICE CARNIVAL

**Rink Opens At 7 O'clock This
Evening With Events
Starting At 8.**

Robert C. Boynton, chairman of the ice carnival, has completed every detail for the carrying out of Rutland's first carnival which is to take place this evening at the community skating rink at the Fair Grounds.

Mr. Boynton will have men in charge to police the rink throughout the evening and in addition to the large arc lights that have been placed on poles for illumination there will be several large bon-fires burning during the evening.

The Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company will run extra cars between 7 and 8 o'clock this evening on the south belt and again between 10 and 11 o'clock.

The Park Street entrance will be used and the rink will be opened at 7 o'clock. Costume skaters will be allowed on the ice at 7.30 o'clock and the events will begin promptly at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Boynton said this morning that skaters will not have to be in costume for the evening but those entering the parade are requested to be thus attired.

During the events no one will be allowed on the ice except the contestants. General skating will be in order for everyone at the conclusion of the last event.

A magnavox recently purchased by the Winter Sports Committee will furnish music tonight for the first time.

The Rutland News
January 20, 1923

SKATING CARNIVAL IS WELL ATTENDED

Mrs. Jack A. Crowley, dressed as a Prince Charming from Alice in Wonderland, and Mrs. T. W. McKay, as a Russian Cossack, were winners of the prizes at Rutland's first ice carnival held last evening at the Community Skating Rink at the Fairgrounds at which there was an attendance of over 500 persons. Leo Grandy, dressed as a hobo, also received a reward.

Andrew Catozzi won the quarter-mile race for men and Gertrude Meyers the same event for women. William Hevey was winner of the half mile race for men.

John Hurley and Miss Frances Parker gave an exhibition from the International School of Skating and Henry Pecor, William LaMountain and F. B. Howard gave an exhibition of figure skating.

The Rutland News
March 14, 1923

MODEL OF NEW BANK BUILDING

**Plaster Paris Miniature, Now
On Exhibition, Shows How
Structure Will Look.**

An attractive model of the Marble Savings Bank building, which is soon to be erected on the corner of West and Grove Streets, is now on exhibition in the bank's window on Merchants Row.

The model was made by Edward Pausch of Buffalo, N. Y., a sculptor, the plans having been made by Harold J. Cook of Buffalo, N. Y., architect.

May Depart From Model.

Charles M. Smith, president of the Marble Savings bank, said today that while it is probable that several changes will be made in the process of construction, the new structure will closely resemble the model.

While plans for the building have not finally been completed, nor the contracts let, it is expected that the building will be of marble.

First Floor for Bank.

The entire first floor will be occupied by the bank, and the second floor will be made into ten offices of the most modern type.

The old Verder block located at the corner of West and Grove Streets which is to be replaced by the new structure, is being torn down and it is expected that this work will be completed by April 1. The new building is to be ready for occupancy the first of next year.

The Rutland News
March 24, 1923

VERDER BUILDING HAS ALMOST DISAPPEARED

Seven days remain for the completion of the wrecking job on the northwest corner of West and Grove Streets. The structure, which has long been known as the Verder building is fast nearing the ground, and now only a few upright timbers remain over the cellar excavation.

According to the contract, the work of razing and cleaning up must be completed by the first of April, and with fair weather, there is no doubt that the terms of the contract will be met.

The Rutland News
March 31, 1923

JURY IS DRAWN FOR BOVE TRIAL

**Man Accused of Violating Dry
Laws Changes Mind and
Procures Counsel.**

A jury was drawn this afternoon to try the liquor case of the State vs. Peter Bove, of 71 Williams Street, the early part of next week.

When Judge Wing called Mr. Bove's case a few days ago, Mr. Bove asked the court to furnish him a lawyer, stating he was unable to afford the services of one, but the court refused his request. Mr. Bove apparently has changed his mind regarding the financial end of his case for since then he has obtained the law firm of Jones & Jones and Attorney George M. Goddard to appear for him. Grand Juror Lindley S. Squires will appear for the state.

Mr. Bove's home was raided by Police Officer Burt Murphy and Dry Agents Harry C. Shedd and Charles L. Brown about two weeks ago when it is alleged, a press, a quantity of mash and some wine were discovered.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Bove denied the ownership of the seizure, and when arraigned in court Mr. Bove pleaded not guilty to the charge of possessing liquor and was released under bail of \$1000.

The Rutland News
April 28, 1923

BANK SOON TO BEGIN BUILDING

**Foundation for Structure At
Grove and West Streets to
Be Started Next Month.**

The Marble Savings bank will soon begin on erection of its bank building at the northwest corner of Grove and West streets. Contracts have already been awarded for some of the materials. Harold Jewett Cooke of Buffalo, N. Y., is the architect who drew the plans for the building. Several Rutland firms have asked for specifications relative to the plumbing and are planning to submit bids for the work.

Work on the building's foundation will be well under way early next month.

Commissioner of Public Works Joseph P. Feeley plans to build the sidewalk on the east side of Grove street first, and the work on the bank building will be so far along as to prove no hindrance when the city starts work on the west side of the streets.

The Rutland News
March 19, 1923

PUBLISHES PICTURE OF MRS. WILLIAM FANNING

**Telephone Topics Has Article
About Cashier of Rutland
Telephone Office.**

The March issue of Telephone Topics issued today to employees of the Rutland branch of the New England Telephone & Telegraph company, contains a picture of Mrs. William Fanning of this city, and the article concerning her:

"For a long time we have been trying to secure a photograph of Miss Agnes Fisher, the cashier in the commercial department at Rutland, and it was not until a short time ago when she became Mrs. William Fanning that we were able to do so."

"Upon returning from her wedding trip spent in New York and Washington, and resuming her duties at the office, she found her desk tastefully trimmed with streamers and bunting."

"Mrs. Fanning became a member of our telephone family in November, 1901, working for Raymond D. Beal, then manager."

"Included in the Rutland exchange were Fair Haven, Poultney, Wallingford and other small exchanges, there being about 1,000 subscribers. She has seen the business grow until now there are about 3,700 subscribers in the Rutland exchange alone."

"In her years of loyal service she has been faithful, efficient and obliging, and by her pleasant manner and spirit of co-operation has made a host of friends among the patrons of our company and her fellow employees, all of whom wish her continued good luck and happiness in the future."

The Rutland News
March 22, 1923

Rutland Aldermen Confirm Mayor Dunn's Appointments

The board of aldermen have confirmed the following appointments by Mayor James C. Dunn:

Henry A. Cramton, cemetery commissioner.

Horace A. Colburn, Robert D. Smith, William T. Simmonds, auditors.

Charles M. Smith, cemetery commissioner.

Joseph E. Lanahan, Alva H. Pierce, fence viewers.

E. J. Hier, Vito Manfreda, drain layers.

A. B. Engrem, pound keeper.

Albert L. Pratt, sealer of weights and measures.

Fred G. Smith, surveyor of wood and inspector of lumber and shingles.

The following have been appointed special policemen:

Nicholas C. Baker, Quincy M. Baker, Arthur A. Briggs, Edward A. Burns, John W. Brislin, Patrick Bushell, Eugene F. Butterfly, Jeremiah Canty, Timothy T. Conklin, Charles E. Daniels, Stephen Dumas, Arthur L. Emerson, Patrick H. Farrell, Patrick J. Foster, Fred O. Gleason, Luther C. Kinney, John E. Lanan, Charles E. LeClair, Eugene M. Manahan, Wilbur T. Lewis, Harry A. Matson, Michael P. McDonough, Martin J. McMahon, William E. Moynihan, Thomas F. O'Neil, Orrin D. Packard, Anthony Petrille, John P. Reedy, Pascal C. Ricci, John A. Sharrow, Horace E. Yarrington and John H. Grimes.

MAKE BIGGEST RUM HAUL

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March 23, 1923

GREAT STILL IN HEART OF CITY

Dismantled Liquor Plant Capable of Producing 75 Gallons Daily Found In Rear of Bove House On Williams Street; 700 Gallons Of Wine Seized On Property.

The biggest round-up of wines, hard liquor and liquor distilling apparatus ever made in this vicinity was completed late today by Federal and State officials when a giant still was seized in the garage in rear of the residence of Peter Bove, 71 Williams Street. The still, probably one of 75 gallons daily capacity, had at sometime been operating at full force in the heart of Rutland, but when located today by Federal Agents Brown and Shedd was carefully packed away in a box. Nearly a dozen empty barrels, showing evidence of having sometime contained mash, were found in the same compartment.

Bove Pleads Not Guilty.

Bove was arrested yesterday. He pleaded not guilty today and was released on \$1000 bail after the largest haul of wine, approximately 700 gallons, ever made in Vermont had been completed by Federal Agents Shedd and Brown, City Grand Juror Lindley S. Squires and Police Officer Burt Murphy. In addition, a considerable quantity of liquor of much higher alcoholic content was seized. In court this morning Bove contended that the cellar was leased to Raffael Ricci.

According to the statement of Louis Ricci of West Street, who was instrumental in arranging a lease on the Bove garage about a year ago, the building in which the still was located was leased to an Italian from New York for a plumbing business.

"Plumber" Ordered To Leave.

The plumber, whose name Mr. Ricci does not now recall, arranged to use fuel that would give no outside indication of what was going on within. The place is a series of pipes, boilers, and other apparatus arranged with great skill, and apparently by a person who understood distilling as well as he did plumbing. According to Mr. Ricci when it was discovered to what purposes the place was being put he ordered the man to vacate and operations immediately ceased.

Cellar Well Equipped.

The cellar of the Bove home is an exact replica of the cellar of the European wine grower. The walls are lined with barrels, hyphons are in evidence, glass containers, mash barrels, an ordinary clothes wringer, used for squeezing the juice from grapes and various other tools and appendages usual in a European wine grower's cellar are present.

False Walls Are Found.

The operator of the still, according to Mr. Ricci, had his living quarters on the second floor of the building. Examination of these rooms disclosed concealed compartments, false walls, and numerous hiding places for anything the occupant might wish to conceal.

The city water pipes were skillfully tapped to provide the water necessary to the distilling process and, according to Mr. Ricci, a kerosene gas was probably used. Among the seized apparatus were four giant gas burners, which apparently were placed under the boiler, the one piece of apparatus missing.

Smokeless Fuel Used.

By using fuel that gave no smoke and by bringing in the great quantities of grain that must have been necessary under cover of night the still was presumably able to turn out great quantities of alcoholic beverages daily.

Federal Agents Shedd and Brown and City Grand Juror Squires have been investigating activities around the premises for about two months. As a result of what they had learned yesterday's raid took place. The premises in the rear, however, were only casually surveyed yesterday. Returning today for further investigation the still was located and the collateral apparatus, or evidences of it, looked over.

Arrests in connection with this later discovery, it is understood are pending.

PETER BOVE TO TRY OWN CASE

**Court Refuses to Assign Legal
Counsel for Man Whose
House Held Still.**

Claiming he was financially unable to hire a lawyer Peter Bove of Williams Street, in whose house the largest wine seizure on record in Vermont was made last week, appealed to City Judge Wing this morning to designate an attorney to defend him at the state's expense. As his case, growing out of the wine seizure and the subsequent finding of a large still, falls in a category other than that of a felony, the court informed him, it would be impossible for the state to provide legal counsel. Further, the court informed Bove, he could try his own case.

When Bove was arrested and arraigned Friday he pleaded not guilty and was released in \$1000 bail.

A jury will be drawn in the case Friday and the trial will start at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

The Rutland News
April 2, 1923

Bove Case Is Up For Wednesday

The case against Peter Bove of Williams Street, charged with violation of the liquor laws, will be tried Wednesday morning in City Court at 9 o'clock before a jury composed of Rutland men.

The case was to have been tried either today or tomorrow but, following a motion made by Grand Juror Squires, prosecuting officer, requesting the court to postpone the case until Wednesday as he was unable to secure witnesses before that time, the case was set for the later date.

Bove's home was raided by dry agents about two weeks ago and a quantity of liquid seized together with a press, some mash, wine and flavoring extracts.

Mr. Bove pleaded not guilty when arraigned in court and is being held under bail of \$1000.

He will be represented in his trial Wednesday by Jones & Jones and Attorney George M. Goddard.

BUSINESS MEN SIT ON JURY

**Women's Club Members and
Bootleggers Conspicuous by
Their Absence From Pro-
ceedings Before Judge Wing**

**GRAND JUROR SQUIRES
PROSECUTES CASE**

**Federal Agent Shedd Chief
Witness for the State This
Morning — Case Probably
For Jury by Nightfall.**

Testimony of state witnesses occupied the greater part of the morning in the case of Peter Bove of Williams Street, charged with violation of the dry laws, which is being tried today in its court before a jury composed mostly of Rutland business men, with Judge Wing presiding. For the first time members of the Woman's club were conspicuous by their absence and the usual throng of bootleggers was absent.

The Bove home was raided on March 22, by Officer Bert Murphy and Dry Agents Harry C. Shedd and Charles Brown when one of the largest seizures on record was made.

Federal Agent Shedd, the first state witness, testified to the facts concerning the raid on March 22; that several hundred gallons of wine, one gallon jug of liquor, four bottles of flavoring extract, empty barrels, supposedly having contained wines, together with strainers, pails, measures, a quantity of mash and a press were found.

Officer Murphy, second state witness testified along the same lines as Agent Shedd and told of the different kinds of flavoring extracts found at or near the Bove home.

Squires Prosecutes.

Grand Juror Lindley S. Squires, prosecuting officer, was on the stand for a short time testifying as to the samples of liquid found at the Bove home that he sent to Burlington for analysis.

Recess at Noon.

A recess was taken at 12 o'clock until 2 o'clock this afternoon, the first witness on the stand at the afternoon session being Dr. Charles F. Whitney, in charge of the state lab-

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oratory at Burlington. Dr. Whitney testified that the liquid sent to him by Grand Juror Squires for analysis, which was fine color, tested 12 percent and the white colored fluid tested 89 per cent alcohol.

The jury before whom the case is being tried includes Wallace W. Nichols, George E. Chalmers, E. S. Crowther, W. R. Kinsman, George Webb, W. L. Archer, George H. Charland, F. C. Ives, Horace J. Gates, Edward Shaw, A. C. Matthews and H. E. Seward.

The law firm of Jones & Jones and Attorney George M. Goddard are counsel for Mr. Bove.

It is expected that the case will go to the jury late this afternoon.

The Rutland News
April 5, 1923

PETER BOVE IS "NOT GUILTY"

**Jury of Rutland Business Men
After Hour's Deliberation
Return Verdict.**

After deliberating for one hour a jury of Rutland business men returned a verdict at 9:30 o'clock last evening of not guilty in the case of Peter Bove, charged with violation of the dry law.

Grand Juror Squires issued a warrant for Rafael Ricci of New York, while the jury was out, who, during the trial yesterday, testified that the wine in the Bove cellar was his, claiming that he had made it from grapes brought to Rutland to sell as grapes, but later made into wine which was to stand until it turned to vinegar. Ricci pleaded not guilty to the charge of violating the liquor laws and he was released under bail of \$1000.

The Bove residence was raided on March 22 by dry officers when one of the biggest seizures on record was made.

Methodist Church Is Destroyed By Fire

Loss Is Estimated At \$50,000, Covered Partly By Insurance; Gas Stove Suspected As Having Caused Fire But Origin of Blaze Is Not Definitely Known.

Fire, which in the opinion of Fire Chief, A. H. Koltonski was caused from a lighted gas stove in the kitchen, early this morning destroyed the Methodist Church on West Street causing a loss estimated at about \$50,000. The losses are:

The Methodist Church property; partly insured.

V. Koutsoncoolis, Chevrolet truck, stored in shed; covered by insurance.

C. Koutsoncoolis, Cleveland automobile, stored in shed; no insurance.

S. P. Curtis & Son, several tons of straw in bales, stored in sheds; insured.

C. W. Spencer, about 30 children's caskets and several large pine casket boxes, stored in sheds; covered by insurance.

Two Horses Saved.

Two horses and two wagons in the barn at the rear of the church, the property of V. Koutsoncoolis and M. Koutsoncoolis, were saved.

The fire department received its first information of the fire from a telephone call about 1.40 o'clock this morning. Trucks from Station 1 responded and an alarm was sounded from Box 44, in front of the Church. All of the fire apparatus, with the exception of the engine, was called, and the callmen responded quickly. Within a few minutes Chief Koltonski's men had six streams of water pouring into the building.

Edifice Burns Rapidly.

The rear part of the building and the adjoining wooden sheds burned rapidly. The flames evidently started up a partition in the kitchen and spread to the roof. The front part of the church where the services have been held is of brick and stone. The firemen were able to save the outer walls, but the roof and practically the entire inside were destroyed.

The firemen did valiant work in preventing the fire from spreading to nearby buildings.

The cause of the fire is unknown. Boys who last night were at their

gymnasium quarters in church denied today that they had lighted a gas stove.

Church Built 25 Years Ago.

The church was erected about 25 years ago during the pastorate of Rev. D. D. Gates. The present pastor is Rev. Dr. George E. Price.

About four years ago the membership of the church had increased to such an extent that the church was not large enough, and the Troy Conference authorized a new building. The local committee purchased land in the northern part of the Baxter property on Grove Street and at first it was thought that a church would be erected on that site, but it is understood the committee is now in favor of a more central location.

The Rutland News
December 11, 1924

VOICE SYMPATHY FOR METHODISTS

Other Churches Offer Use
of Rooms In Which to
Hold Services.

Rev. Dr. George E. Price today received messages of sympathy from other clergymen of the city, as well as city officials, because of the burning of the Methodist Church last night. He has been offered the use of the Community House, the Parish House, the Baptist Church and other places in which to hold services.

Rev. Dr. Price will be present at 4 o'clock this afternoon at a meeting of the Church Society, at which temporary plans will be made for services. It is stated that services will be held Sunday and the place will be announced this evening or tomorrow morning.

ROTARY TO GIVE CITY PLAYFIELD

GROUND WILL COST

CLUB SUM OF \$5000

Organization Authorizes Purchase of Property by Vote Taken at Luncheon This Noon; George T. and Newman K. Chaffee, Present Owners, Contribute \$1000 Each; Playground Will Have Swimming Pool, and Football and Baseball Fields.

The Rutland Rotary Club is to purchase six and a half acres of land, west of North Main Street and near North Street, for a municipal playground. Authorization of the purchase was made at a meeting of the club at the Hotel Berwick this noon.

The price of the land is \$5,000, and Newman K. and George T. Chaffee, present owners of the land, have donated \$1,000 each.

Chairman's Report.

Dr. Ray Smith, chairman of the committee on playgrounds, read the following report explaining the situation:

For a number of years several of us have been intensely interested in the subject of a swimming pool for Rutland. Many and diverse committees have been appointed from this and other societies to investigate and report upon possible sites for such a venture and on ways and means. In every instance some apparently insurmountable obstacle has caused a summary cessation of activity.

"Today I am given the honor of presenting to you a feasible plan, its details already on paper and only awaiting your approval to be put into operation. Not alone does this present plan call for a cement swimming pool, but in it are embodied details of a baseball diamond, a football gridiron, tennis courts and other

similar activities. The feasibility of this scheme is assured and the accuracy of its details bear the stamp of approval of Joe Feeley. It has been enthusiastically and unanimously approved by your board of directors.

Proposition Presented.

"Through the untiring efforts of your president, Bert Stafford, together with the equally efficient efforts of Ben Buxton, coupled with the unselfish and very real desire of two brothers that they do something of lasting benefit for the citizens of Rutland, I am able to bring before you the following proposition:— That parcel of land lying just to the west of North Main Street and traversed by Tenny brook, owned by George T. and Newman K. Chaffee and comprising some six odd acres, is offered to this organization for playground purposes at a price of five thousand dollars—a price well in accord with accepted land values in this location and the minimum price would be accepted by these gentlemen from any source. Not only can this property be purchased at the figure given but it can be purchased upon such easy terms as take the transaction entirely out of the realm of ordinary business affairs. We may make our own terms of payment"

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and can draw up our own contract. Nor is this all. Should we make this purchase George T. Chaffee and Newman K. Chaffee each will donate the sum of one thousand dollars toward that purpose. In other words this organization has now the opportunity of securing this tract of land for the purpose stated, at an actual expenditure of three thousand dollars, and the payments may extend over a period of years.

Requires Services Of All.

"This property once purchased, the work of grading and of building must be financed and carried on and this will require the active aid of every man and woman in the city. It is right here that I feel I must be most frank. No one organization can assume this great responsibility. No one group of men can lay claim to special glory through accomplishment of this ideal. This must be a community movement. Rotary, in its true light, is a spirit not a club in the accepted meaning of that word. Its members are drawn from every denomination and every sect, from every club and every civic body in this city. It is, in fact, a cross section through the heart of Rutland. From the standpoint of Rotary being a 'club' only, this project is far beyond our abilities or our capabilities; from the proper standpoint that Rotary is a 'spirit' using a club designation for purposes of activity we may well attack this problem with every hope of success provided that each component organization repre-

sented in our membership takes active and earnest part in the movement. Success or failure rests upon this one thing. Rotary must simply act as the fortunate body through which this opportunity is presented.

Matters To Be Worked Out.

"It has been suggested that some club or clubs might underwrite the actual construction of the swimming pool while others would make the construction of diamond or gridiron their particular activity or, again, the entire construction work might be undertaken through the means of an old-fashioned 'bee' with each organization in the city furnishing the labor for a certain definite period.

These matters must all be worked out at a later date after mature consideration and thoughtful planning. The vital part that must be settled by you today is the actual purchase of the property. Will you at this time direct your board of directors to consummate this purchase? Will you authorize them to bind you to the payment of three hundred dollars this and each year following, together with interest until the sum of three thousand dollars has been paid? Will you do this and then will you lend the strength of your influence and your endeavor toward the furthering of this project in such a manner and in such a way as will make 'He profits most who serves the best' a matter of your individual activity rather than a pleasing slogan expressive of lofty ideals and high sentiment or but an embossed motto of pleasing fancy upon your letter-head "

CITY SWIMMERS TAKE TO WATER

**Patch Dam Is Most Popular
Pool In This Locality, But
Other Sports Lure Many.**

Swimming is again coming into its own as the most popular summer sport for Rutland youngsters. This morning on the banks of the Patch dam, about a mile north of the city, could be seen many Rutland boys attired in bathing suits ready to take a plunge into the river.

Decoration day was the earliest any of the boys at the river today had been swimming, but several Rutland swimmers took advantage of the warm spell early in May to have their first dip of the season.

Patch Dam Pool Popular

The Patch dam affords Rutland youngsters one of the finest swimming pools to be found in this vicinity. For many years this spot has been "the old swimmin' hole" for Rutland young men. Prior to the building of the Patch dam, just east of '76 bridge, the swimming hole there was known as "Devil's Camp," "Yellow bank," on East Creek in the vicinity of Cleveland avenue, is another popular spot for swimming, especially for those just learning.

There are several places on Otter Creek such as "The Bend," "Big Baxter's" and Billings bridge. The Billings bridge swimming pool is especially popular with young women.

The Rutland News
May 18, 1923

CITY HALL WILL HOUSE MAYOR

**For First Time In Years, the
City's Chief Executive Will
Have Office There.**

Mayor James C. Dunn has announced that early in July he will have his office on the second floor of the City hall building. The office will be located at the extreme north section and will take in the room now used by the City assessors.

It is several years since a mayor has used the office in the City hall building. When the building was erected the room at the north end of the second floor was designated as the Mayor's office.

TRINITY'S NEW ORGAN ARRIVES

**Pipe Instrument Worth \$15,-
000 Will Be Installed At
Once; Finest In State.**

The new \$15,000 pipe organ purchased by Trinity church arrived this week and the work of installing it will begin within a few days.

The new organ, said to be the finest in the state, is made by the Skinner company and is of the modern three manual type, with electric action. It is a divided organ, to be erected in halves on each side of the chancel and played from one keyboard.

Rev. Morgan Ashley, pastor of Trinity church, does not know how long it will take to install the organ, but plans are being made for an elaborate musical event on the date of the dedication of the instrument.

The old pipe organ, installed 55 years ago, is being taken down this week under the direction of P. H. Brehmer.

Trinity parish has raised \$12,000 toward the purchase price of the new organ.

The Rutland News
May 25, 1923

COUNCIL CHANGES NAME OF STREET

**Grove Street, Between West
and State Streets, Is Now
Merchants Row.**

Under a recent act of the Board of Aldermen, Grove street from West to State streets is no more. The name has been changed to Merchants Row and when the repairs have been completed the numbers of the stores on Merchants Row will begin at the corner of State street.

The street work on Merchants Row is progressing rapidly. Commissioner Feeley has completed the laying of the curb on the east side of the street and is now at work pouring cement for the curb on the west side.

The Rutland Railway, Light & Power company is repairing the road between the tracks and laying new ties.

AUTOISTS HERE OVER WEEK-END

**Chamber of Commerce Com-
mittee In Charge of Activity
Ask Suggestions From Visit-
ing Campers; Many Im-
provements Are Made This
Year.**

The Rutland tourists' camp, located on the Lester farm about two miles north of Rutland on the Pittsford road, has been officially opened for the 1923 season. The Chamber of Commerce committee in charge of the camp consists of G. E. L. Badlam, chairman, Fred A. Field, jr., and Walter A. Clark.

Four large picnic tables have been erected this year for use of campers. These tables and chairs have been painted and many improvements have been made for the comfort of campers. The roads leading into the camp have been filled in with gravel, and the two fireplaces have been made ready for the season.

Committee Asks Suggestions.

The committee has erected a large sign asking visitors to leave at the Lester farm; suggestions for improvements of the camp.

Last year campers from 19 different states visited the camp. The visitors came in 198 cars and numbered about 800 people. This number does not include the 207 soldiers, and 75 animals that were in camp here one night, nor the numerous picnic parties and corn roasts there.

Parties. There Last Year.

The register last year shows the following number of parties that remained over night and longer at the Rutland camp: Vermont, 17; Illinois, 3; New York, 50; Massachusetts, 57; Ohio, 6; Iowa, 3; Maine, 5; Pennsylvania, 8; State of Washington, 2; Connecticut, 16; New Hampshire, 7; New Jersey, 10; Florida, 2; Wisconsin, 1; Indiana, 1; Rhode Island, 5; Michigan, 2; California, 1; District of Columbia, 2.

Over the recent week-end several camping parties from New York and Connecticut registered at the camp.

The Rutland News
June 27, 1923

MISS N. M. GRIMM MARRIED IN NEW YORK TO J. C. FOX

Rutland Woman Becomes Bride of Son of Late Rutland Physician, In Ceremony Performed In Church of the Transfiguration Yesterday.

Miss Nella M. Grimm, daughter of Mrs. Gustav H. Grimm of Ivyholme, Rutland and John Crary Fox of New York, were married yesterday at the Church of the Transfiguration in New York by the Rev. J. M. Randolph Ray.

The bride is the daughter of the late Gustav Henry Grimm of this city, who was an inventor and manufacturer of apparatus for making maple syrup and sugar. The bridegroom is a son of the late Dr. George H. Fox of this city.

After the ceremony there was a breakfast at the Hotel Chatham for the immediate families, including Mrs. G. H. Grimm, mother of the bride of Rutland, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Grimm of Montreal, Mr. and Mrs.

Herman W. Vaughan and daughter, Mrs. Wallace M. Kirby of Rutland, Dr. and Mrs. Wallace W. Griffin and Mr. Edwin H. Fox of New York City.

The Rutland News
June 13, 1923

329 HORSES IN RUTLAND CITY

Their Numbers Decrease Yearly In Inverse Ratio to Increase of Automobiles.

Statistics on file at the City Assessor's office show that there are only 329 horses in the City of Rutland. It has been estimated that there are more than 2000 automobiles owned in the city. Old-timers remember about 20 years ago when there were at least 1000 horses in the city and not a single automobile.

The assessor's records show that there is only one mule in the city. There are 136 sheep, 339 cows of milch variety, 61 cows of milch kind, seven pure bred bulls, and 24 hogs.

Hog-Raising Declines

Hog-raising in the city is on the decline. Ten years ago hogs were kept in various parts of the city, but public health laws have been enacted restricting such practice.

The records show that Deputy Sheriff D. A. Barker is the largest owner of horses in the city and Robert D. Temple of the Maple Grove farm owns the most cows. Howard Stearns owns 90 of the 136 sheep listed at the assessors' office.

The Rutland News
June 29, 1923

JOSEPH MINTZER TO BUILD

Rutland Man Will Erect Fireproof Structure At 24 Evelyn Street.

A cement and brick building will be erected at 24 Evelyn street by Joseph Mintzer, according to an announcement by him today. The basement and ground floor will be used for garage purposes and the two upper floors will be utilized by some kind of a factory.

Work on the new building will be started in the near future. Mr. Mintzer recently purchased the property from R. V. Allen, according to records on file in the City clerk's office. The building, which long has been used as a soft drink establishment will be torn down.

The Rutland News
August 4, 1923

WOLK AND FRANK BUY BIG BLOCK

**Building Known As Buxton
Block Passes to Merchants
in Large Transaction**

B. C. Buxton of Middletown Springs has sold the brick block at 10 and 12 Merchants Row to Samuel Frank and Hyman Wolk.

There are two stores on the ground floor, one occupied by Michael's fruit store and ice cream parlor. The second floor is occupied by the Peter Allard Barber shop, Attorney W. H. Botsford's law office, and by the Odd Fellows Society. This society occupies the third floor as a lodge room. It is one of the largest business transactions that has taken place in Rutland for the past six months.

The Rutland News
August 15, 1923

READY TO BUILD CITY HALL ANNEX

Plans have been completed by the Public Works Department for the erection of a cement and brick building adjoining the City Hall. The building will be used as a garage, store room and repair shop for the various activities connected with the City. It will be erected just South of the present building. The estimated cost calls for the expenditure of several thousand dollars. The work in its entirety will be done by the Public Works Department and it is probable that work will be started in the early part of September.

The Public Works Department will complete the cement sidewalk building for the present year tonight when the walk on the East side of Grove Street from State to William Street will be finished. The reason for building no more walks is the lack of funds the sidewalk appropriation being all used up. The Department will build some walks in certain sections of the City where the property owner will pay for the entire work.

The Rutland News
August 24, 1923

WORK RAPIDLY ON MARBLE BANK BUILDING

The concrete wall at the new Savings Bank Building, being erected at Northwest corner of Merchants Row and West Street, has been nearly finished. Representatives of the Fenna Construction Company of Syracuse, N. Y., which has the contract for building the bank, report some real tough digging.

Many thousand brick have arrived and already the bricklayers have started to work. The contracting company expects to get a good portion of the brick work completed before the cold weather sets in and they plan to work on the job all winter at the interior work.

The Rutland News
August 28, 1923

ASSIGN TEACHERS FOR THIS YEAR

**Names of Instructors and the
Subjects They Will Teach
Is Announced Today**

Teachers in the Rutland schools have been assigned as follows for the ensuing year:—

High School.

Edward S. Abbott, principal.

Frank C. Phillips, vice principal and head of Commercial Department.

Eleanor J. Meldon, head of French department.

Elizabeth Bowen, English.

Nellie H. Newton, Elocution.

Harold I. O'Brien, head Mathematics department and Athletic director.

Lacy W. Bump, head of Science department.

Helen R. Harman, English and History.

Mrs. Irence C. Crowley, English and Spanish.

Mrs. Jeanette F. Statham, Mathematics and Ancient History.

Helen M. Nugent, Latin.

Zenobia R. Jacobs, History and Civics.

Maurice E. Walbridge, History and Civics.

E. P. Ireland, Biology and Mechanical Drawing.

Mary L. Barry, French.

Mabel Gage, Mathematics.

Marie W. Johnson, Commercial.

The Rutland News
September 4, 1923

Burglars Cut Out Pane Of Glass And Enter Wales Street Stores

The barber shop conducted by E. Celentano in the Foley Block on Wales Street and the shoe repairing shop of Frank Palucci in the same building were broken into last night. At the barber shop about \$10 in money and a quantity of cigars and cigarettes were stolen. It is not known just how much merchandise is missing from the shoe store.

Entrance to the barber shop was gained through a back window. At the shoe shop a pane of glass was cut out of a back window.

The police say the break was evidently the work of persons who knew their business and who had the necessary burglar's tools.

The Rutland News
September 12, 1923

800 USE AUTO CAMP GROUNDS

One Party Came From Belgium
and Another From
Porto Rico

Over 800 tourists from many States have enjoyed the comforts and conveniences at the tourists camp this summer conducted by the Rutland Chamber of Commerce on the Milo Lester farm on Pittsford Road.

Many of these tourists, according to the Lester farm proprietors, remained from one to three days and nights at the camp while a few of the parties stayed two and three weeks at a time.

Many of the travelers who registered at the Lester farm were from New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island. There were several parties from Canada, two from Texas, one from Porto Rico and one from Belgium.

During fair week the camp was well filled with travelers but for the last few days very few tourists have stopped there.

The Rutland News
September 27, 1923

LAY CORNERSTONE OF NEW BANK BUILDING

Charles E. Ross, vice president of the Marble Savings Bank and a trustee of that institution for many years, laid the cornerstone of the new Marble Savings Bank Building yesterday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock. The ceremony was attended by Pres. Charles M. Smith and the trustees of the bank.

In the cornerstone were placed coins, copies of the daily papers, names of incorporators and trustees of the bank. Engineer Marshall of the Fenno Construction company assisted in the ceremony.

The Rutland News
October 29, 1923

SEAL OF VERMONT TO BE ON BANK BUILDING

A large piece of white marble, weighing 2400 pounds, arrived in Rutland Saturday from the Vermont Marble Company quarry in Danby and will be erected in a few days directly over the entrance of the new Marble Savings Bank which is being erected at the corner of West and Grove street.

The seal of Vermont has been cut out in the center of the marble. It is an excellent piece of workmanship and will add greatly to the attractiveness of the building.

The Rutland News
October 12, 1923

"HUMAN FLY" HOPES TO CLIMB BUILDING HERE

Jerry Hudson, "The Human Fly" of Lewistown, Me., arrived in Rutland today for the purpose of giving a climbing exhibition here sometime tomorrow. Hudson announced that he had obtained permission to climb the Mead building and was waiting to get in touch with the city officials to obtain their sanction.

If it is forthcoming he plans to perform his stunt late tomorrow afternoon or early tomorrow evening.

Hudson has scaled buildings in all of the large eastern cities and has appeared in several places in Vermont. He is on his way for a tour of the South.

The Rutland News
October 15, 1923

"HUMAN FLY" TO CLIMB MEAD BUILDING TONIGHT

Jerry Hudson, the "Human Fly," so styled because of his peculiar ability to scale lofty buildings, will be a visitor in Rutland today and attempt to scale the walls of the Mead building at 7 o'clock this evening.

The "Fly" states that although the Mead building is not as high as some he has tackled, it nevertheless presents quite a few difficulties, especially near the top, but he hopes to overcome these as he has others and reach the roof.

He will start promptly at 7 o'clock.

Saturday night he climbed Hotel Allen in Fair Haven.

The Rutland News
October 16, 1923

"HUMAN FLY" CLIMBS SIDE OF MEAD BLDG.

Jerry Hudson, the "Human Fly," thrilled a crowd of about 2,000 persons last evening when he climbed the side of the Mead Building to the fifth story. At that point he hung by his teeth to a rope suspended over the cornice and was pulled to the top of the building. Hudson did a hand stand on the sills at the fifth story and stood on his head near the edge of the roof.

The Rutland News
October 13, 1923

BEGIN ADDITION TO CITY HALL BUILDING

Work has been started by the Public Works Department on the building of the new addition to the City Hall. The building will be constructed of cement and steel and will have a brick frontage on Merchants Row. The estimated cost of the building is about \$15,000 and the work will be done entirely by the Public Works Department. The building will join the south wall of the present City Hall, occupied by the fire station, and will be used as a repair shop and a garage for the City.

The Rutland News
October 4, 1923

NURSES' HOME IS BOUGHT

Rutland Hospital Association Buys Old Bailey Stone Home On North Main St.

The Rutland Hospital Association is to have a home for the nurses. Announcement was made today by Henry O. Carpenter, administrator of the estate of Mrs. Margaret Stone, that arrangement had been made for the transfer of the Bailey-Stone homestead on North Main Street to the Hospital Association. It was also announced that W. D. Hulett had given the Hospital Association a valuable piece of land, 50 feet wide, that will connect the present hospital grounds with the Bailey-Stone property.

The Bailey-Stone house, which was built about 35 years ago by the late Dr. Goldsmith, has 18 rooms and is one of the fine old homesteads of the city. It is a most valuable piece of property for the Hospital Association and with some improvement can be made into a most up-to-date home for nurses.

The Rutland News
October 8, 1923

MURDICK BUYS WADE BUILDING

Modern Structure Probably Will Replace One at Wales and Washington Streets

An important real estate transaction in the business section of the City was announced Saturday when Frank J. Wade sold the property at the southwest corner of Wales and Washington Streets to Clarence H. Murdick, a local merchant. The building is a three story wooden structure with a frontage of 90 feet on Washington Street and 80 feet on Wales Street.

Mr. Murdick in discussing his purchase today said that his plans are unsettled but that a modern building probably will be erected on the site next year.

The Rutland News
October 8, 1923

Voting Will Begin At Noon Tomorrow

The polls for tomorrow's election will open at 12 o'clock noon and will close at 8 o'clock in the evening. The polling places for Rutland City are:—

- Ward 1—Dana School.
- Ward 2—Brock House.
- Ward 3—City Hall.
- Ward 4—Bardwell Hotel.
- Ward 5—Longfellow School.
- Ward 6—Kingsley School.
- Ward 7—Bragg's Garage, Evelyn Street.
- Ward 8—Vermont Garage, River Street.
- Ward 9—Lincoln School.
- Ward 10—Watkins Avenue School.
- Ward 11—Park Street School.

The Rutland News
December 1, 1923

VAUGHAN SELLS OLD LAND MARK

Property at North Main and
West Streets Is Purchased
by Standard Oil Co.

Herman W. Vaughan has sold the property at the northeast corner of North Main and West Streets to the Standard Oil company, according to a warranty deed filed today at the City Clerk's office. The price paid was about \$10,000.

In the purchase of the property the Standard Oil Company have come into possession of one of the old landmarks of the city. The Standard Oil Company plans to tear down the wooden structure on the site and erect at a cost of several thousand dollars a modern gasoline filling station. They have already been granted a permit to build this station.

The Rutland News
December 22, 1923

OLD RUTLAND IS NOW ON VIEW

Sewer Diggers Bare Boulders
Used to Fill in Center St.,
Which Once Was Swamp

Workmen employed by the public works department in digging for a sewer on Center Street, which is to connect with the trunk line sewer on Merchants Row, today had a view of old Rutland—about seven and a half feet below level ground.

According to old Rutland residents, when Center Street was laid out about 60 years ago, from the foot of the hill down through to the depot was a deep swamp and at one time there was trout fishing in a stream which ran through the center of the city.

Street Built of Boulders.

The street was built of boulders blasted out of a solid ledge of rocks extending from the U. S. court house down to the Anthony store. This rock was drawn on sleds and stone boats by oxen, and after a number of years of hard labor the street was filled in to its present elevation.

Before the street was filled in people traveled the thoroughfare on a sidewalk that was from eight to ten feet high, with an iron railing for protection. In order to enter a front door it was necessary to descend a steep flight of stairs.

The Rutland Courier
May 28, 1858

TOWN MEETING.—We are somewhat surprised to see a call from the Selectmen for a Town Meeting to see if the town are in favor of widening the "fill" recently made in the construction of Centre street. The town, as usual, has elected a Board of Selectmen whose duty it is to decide on all matters of this kind. We should not like to see our Selectmen reckless as to the expenses of the town, but we expect independence enough from them, to decide as to what is right, and when right, to go ahead.

Centre street is the new street partly constructed, from the Rail Road depot to Main street, and will soon be the thoroughfare of our village. That portion of it between the depot and Wales street, is elevated by a fill of some six or eight feet, and is only twenty-four feet wide on the top. It must be apparent to every one that this street is now in a dangerous condition, and that the town would be responsible for damages from accidents thereon. We do not wish, however, to see this street widened, as suggested to us by one of the Selectmen, by carting earth from Pine hill; as, in order to make Centre street of as easy a grade as Washington street, there is an abundance of material in Centre and Court streets, to make all the fill and widening required.

The Rutland News
December 26, 1923

STANDARD OIL BUYS PROPERTY

Purchases Another North Main
Street Corner As Site For
Gas Filling Station

The Standard Oil Company of New York has purchased the property at the northeast corner of North Main and Terrill streets from F. B. Arkley of Waterbury, according to a warranty deed filed Monday at the City Clerk's office. It is the property purchased in November by Mr. Arkley from former Alderman Jew

nier.

The Standard Oil Company will erect a gas filling station on the site. About a month ago the Standard Oil Company purchased the Vaughan property at the northwest corner of North Main and West streets. They will erect a gas filling station on that site early in the spring.

The Rutland Independent
August 6, 1880

**THE VILLAGE OF RUTLAND
IN 1790.**

We give herewith a statement of the number and situation of the houses and buildings in the village of Rutland in February, 1790, eighty years ago. There were then but twenty-two buildings namely:

East Side of the Street—A house occupied by Judge Samuel Williams (one of the original proprietors of the HERALD), situated between the present houses occupied by Col. George A. Merrill and Mrs. Aiken, on a part of the lot now owned by Mrs. Aiken; the latter's shop of James D. Butler, on the same lot now occupied by J. M. Haven; between there and the store now occupied by G. H. & H. W. Cheney were four houses, one occupied as a tavern, a store of John Prentiss, an unoccupied store and the residence of John A. Graham; an unfinished house on the lot where Cheney's store now is, (which was subsequently moved below the house now occupied by Francis Fenn on West street); Nathaniel Chipman occupied a house on the Franklin House lot; a house where J. A. Kilburn now resides; the Whelock house, which was on the lot next south of the old Huntoon tavern; below that was a house occupied by Judge Joseph Bowker, and a house built by Nathen Osgood for a house and store.

West of Main Street—The old red house then occupied by David Tuttle (being just south of Mrs. Strong's residence.) The next building north was the frame of a house situated on the northeast corner of the Park, which was afterwards moved to the north side of West street and occupied by Alanson Dyer for a hotel, and was burned in 1856. West of this, and

South of West Street was a house owned by Nathan Osgood, then a shop and a house occupied by William Storer; where Ira Fisher now lives was a house now occupied by Thomas Hale.

North of West Street—The Jail, built of logs, back of the road and on or near where William Brown had a barn for many years; the Court House (sometimes called the State House,) which is now standing and is in the same situation, being the first building west of the "Free Christain Chapel;" next a house occupied by John Prentiss, and lastly a house on the corner of West and Main streets, and occupied by Capt. Nathaniel Gove for a tavern.—*Herald.*

THE MILL VILLAGE CHAPEL.

The Corner Stone Laid Yesterday Afternoon.

The corner stone of the Christian Endeavor chapel at Mill Village was laid yesterday with appropriate services, in charge of Rev. Dr. G. W. Phillips of the Congregational church. The weather was fair and the attendance was large.

The chapel has been long needed in this corner of the town of Rutland and the residents take a healthy pride in the structure. Six years ago the Mill Village Christian Endeavor society was organized and held weekly meetings in the school house. A chapter of the King's Daughters was organized in the same neighborhood and showed a good deal of vigor in its line of work. The needs of a building as headquarters for Christian work in this locality were soon seen, and plans were begun early looking to the erection of a chapel to serve such a purpose. Funds were raised in various ways until the amount justified the building of the chapel, which was begun a few weeks ago. The site, at the fork of the Pittsford and Chittenden roads, was the gift of Edgar Davis. The main building, when completed, will be 32 by 24 feet and the annex 16 by 24 feet. The rooms in the two parts are arranged so that they can be thrown together when necessary. The chapel will comfortably seat 175 persons. The prudential committee, which has largely to do with the building of the structure, is made up of G. A. Davis, M. L. Thomas, F. L. Beebe, R. F. Russell, C. A. Perkins and A. B. Engrem.

The corner stone is of dark Columbian marble and is the gift of Rockwood Barrett. The finishing and lettering was the contribution of W. R. Kinsman. On the finished face of the stone is a Maltese cross bearing the letters "I. H. N." The letters stand for "In His Name," which is the motto of the King's Daughters. The stone also bears the inscription "Y. P. S. C. E. Chapel. Erected 1896." According to custom several papers, etc., were placed in the stone. These were the Bible, a list of the present members of the society and the King's Daughters, a copy of the "Model Constitution of Christian Endeavor" and a copy of the current number of THE RUTLAND DAILY HERALD.

The service opened with a hymn, after which Rev. Dr. Phillips made the following preliminary statement:—

"Fellow Workers of the United Christian Endeavor—The day and service are the fulfillment of long anticipation. The building of this chapel, the corner stone of which we are now to lay, is the visible sign of the divine favor toward the people of this neighborhood and the seal of a fellowship in Christian work for which all Christian hearts must be truly thankful. The chapel was not in your

thoughts when the Christian Endeavor society was organized here, but it has become an admitted necessity growing out of that organization. The little seed that was thus planted years ago, and which you have watched and tended with real fidelity, has in it, I believe, the promise and potency of a church of Jesus Christ. The church will be an aftergrowth, but if you are true to that spirit of union in Christ which has marked this enterprise from the beginning there can arise no serious difference among you to imperil the birth and building of the church on primitive Christian lines. Nothing else, next to your loyalty to Christ, is of so much importance to you and this enterprise as to keep together. If you are true to your purpose shown you will fear nothing so much as any watchword to which all Christians may not heartily respond. One book, the Holy Bible, is the standard of teaching for which this building ought to stand."

The corner stone was then laid with a service prepared for the occasion.

In the course of the service, which was most impressive, Rev. Dr. Phillips pronounced the sentence of the corner stone, hymns were sung and addresses delivered.

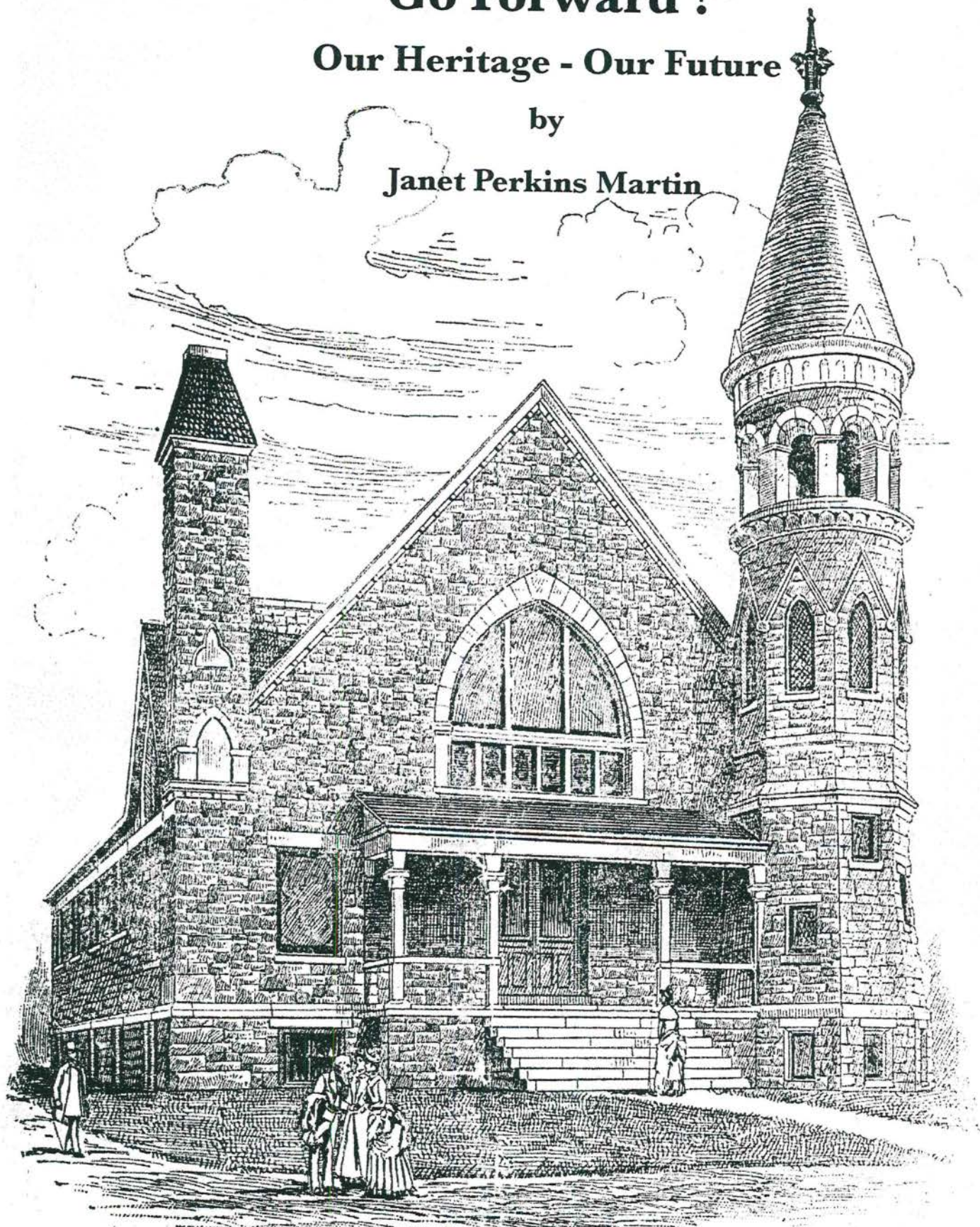
It is expected that the building will be completed in early fall.

"Go Forward !"

Our Heritage - Our Future

by

Janet Perkins Martin



Unitarian Universalist Church Of Rutland

Friends of Wilson Castle

By Hurley R. Cavacas, Jr

If you turn on the West Proctor Road from Business Route 4 and travel a few miles you will come upon one of the area's forgotten treasures, the Wilson Castle. A large true English castle that sits on 115 acres of land with numerous out buildings on both sides of the road. At one point in time one of the out buildings housed Rutland's only other



AM radio station WHWB. Turn up the dirt driveway towards the castle and explore our area's only true English castle. After parking the car and walking up the driveway you may begin to

to ask yourself why an English castle and why here in Vermont?

On the guided tour one is enlightened about the history and the many objects of art that are housed in this large beautiful building. The history of the castle begins like one would expect, like a fairy tale. Once upon a time, a young Vermonter, named Johnson went abroad to study medicine and met and fell in love with a true English noble lady. Dr. Johnson wanted to practice medicine in Vermont and Lady Johnson agreed to move providing that he build her a true English castle (one that has turrets and parapets). In 1867 ground was broken for the construction of "Johnson's Castle", after seven and half years of construction the Johnsons were able to move in. But as with all love stories there comes a deepening plot. Lady Johnson went back to England with her child and left Dr. Johnson alone in the castle. Dr. Johnson sold the castle and the property had four different owners until 1939 when Col. Herbert L Wilson purchased the property.

One may expect that the castle is what drew Col. Wilson to Proctor, Vermont. One would be wrong. Col Wilson was drawn to the property for the barns that were near a swamp. Col. Wilson was a radio station owner and knew that the ground was conducive for radio station towers. The castle was a bonus for Mrs. Wilson. The Wilsons used the castle for a summer home and then moved in year-round in the 40's. Col and Mrs. Wilson were world travelers and collectors of art. This is very evident when you walk into the French drawing room and see the Louis 14th table with a statue of "Helena" done in bronze and Venetian marble. The statue was an award winner in a Paris art show.

While in this room you also see a hand painted

window of a scene of a typical day on the River Thames. This painting is surrounded by semi precious opals. The Castle has five rooms of furnishings from the Johnsons with the rest of the items collected by the Wilsons. Visitors travel through the rooms, which include the drawing room, the library, music room, Italian renaissance dining room, the art gallery, the grand hall with stair case and four bedrooms. Fire code prevents showing the third floor that contains four bedrooms and the grand ballroom (which for heating purposes was on the top floor).

The castle was passed down to Bunny Davine, Col Wilson's daughter, in the early 80s and she placed the castle in a 501(B)3 trust for future generations to enjoy. The current trustee of the castle is Denise Davine, Bunny's daughter.

Unfortunately with all large properties come major expenses for maintenance. The castle is no exception. While on tour one sees the painting that needs to be restored on the ceilings, the brickwork that needs to be re-pointed and the grounds work that needs to be done. One does not see the major restoration needed in the floor joists, the plumbing, wiring and heating system upgrades that need to occur. The trust cannot operate alone on this matter, so the "Friends of Wilson Castle" organization was formed. Terry Cavacas, Linda Holzworth and Dominic Gorruso got together to form a group of people, much like the "Friends of Hildene" to do a massive capital campaign to raise funds to restore the castle and to help promote the castle for those who have forgotten about it.

The group's first order is to shore up the castle's floors. Dehumidifiers are on loan from Service Master to help take out the moisture in the basement. Crews of students from Fair Haven Union High School and members of the

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Rampage Football team have been busy clearing out the cellar and attic. Once the moisture is under control efforts will be made to replace floor joists and beams in the basement. The next area to focus on is the heating plant. There are numerous groups who want to use the castle in cooler weather, but the present heating system prevents this from occurring. Plumbing, wiring, brickwork and finally painting all need to be accomplished. But unfortunately these are all costly endeavors. This is where the "Friends of the Castle" needs your help.

The group is looking for people to join to help raise the necessary funds to restore the castle to where it once was. People can join the group to work on fundraisers, to help work on the castle such as cleaning, plumbing and heating and to help promote it to increase revenue through tours. If you are interested in donating time, money or to join the organization please email Terry at tcavacas@aol.com or call her at 770-2969 or Linda at 779-1557 or you may call the castle directly at 773-3284.



The Rutland News
January 2, 1924

EXPEDITE WORK ON CITY HALL

**Addition Will Be Completed
Next Month—Will Provide
Much Storage Space**

Work is going on rapidly on the addition to the City Hall, and indications are that the addition will be finished in February. The front walls are of red pressed brick and the roof of tile. The brick work is nearly finished and part of the roofing is done.

The addition will be in three sections. The part adjacent to the City Hall will be used as a store room in the front part, and in the rear the boilers for blowing the fire whistle have been sunk. The Public Works garage will be located in the center section and there is room for the storage of 10 or 12 automobiles and trucks. The repair shop and boiler room will be located in the third section.

The funds for the building were saved by the Public Works department from the 1923 appropriation, with the exception of \$4000 which was voted about a month ago by the Board of Aldermen.

The Rutland News
January 22, 1924

GROVE STREET'S NAME CHANGED

**Despite Mayor's Veto of Some
Weeks Ago Name Will
Be Changed**

The Board of Aldermen at its regular meeting held last evening adopted a resolution calling for the renumbering of Merchants Row and Grove Street. The action followed a report of Aldermen Spencer, Cooper and Pike, a special committee appointed to investigate. Under the new system of numbering the name of Grove Street will be changed from the intersection of State Street to West Street and called Merchants Row and the numbers will start at the State Street point and run South. The odd numbers will be on the West side of the street and the even numbers on the East side of the street.

The aldermen voted in favor of this project several months ago but Mayor Dunn vetoed it. However, the report of the special committee was to the effect that three-fourths of all merchants visited were in favor of the project.

The principal time of last evening's meeting was taken up with the transaction of routine business.

The Rutland News
January 23, 1924

TRINITY CHURCH BOY SCOUT TROOP FORMED

At a meeting of members of Trinity Church in the parish house last evening to organize for the leadership of a Boy Scout Troop the following officers for the troop management were selected: Troop committee, Col. H. Edward Dyer, William S. Tuttle, Stephen C. Dorsey, Ernest B. Lamb, Charles A. Matthews, Walter J. Nourse, George C. Cobb; Scoutmaster, M. Preston Alexander; assistant Scoutmasters: Horace A. Palmer, Raymond E. Connor and Emmett P. Paige; senior patrol leader, Fred Burton Atherton.

It was decided that a full troop of 33 boys could be maintained and the troop's organization meeting was planned for next Wednesday.

The Rutland News
January 23, 1924

BAPTISTS ORGANIZE BOY SCOUT TROOP

A new Boy Scout troop was organized at a meeting held in the Baptist Church last evening. The scouts training for the present, will be in charge of Kenneth S. Dufey and Patrol Leader George Millard. The meetings will be held Tuesday evenings at 7.30 o'clock.

The members of the troop committee who have pledged themselves to sponsor this troop are Judge Leonard F. Wing, Riford R. Tuttle, Willis R. Edmunds, John A. Barney, George W. Peck, jr., Charles Spencer, William R. Farr and Wallace W. Nichols.

The Rutland News
April 12, 1924

RIVER ST. BRIDGE CALLED UNSAFE

Structure Is Closed to Vehicular Traffic, But Is Open For Pedestrians.

Vehicular travel over River Street bridge ended at 8.30 o'clock this morning when a crew of workmen under direction of Commissioner of Public Works Joseph P. Feeley boarding up each of the bridge entrances. The bridge is safe for pedestrian travel.

The Commissioner of Public Works through City Attorney Clayton H. Kinney has notified the State Engineer's department of the condition of the bridge, and it is expected that the State will make an inspection and offer recommendations in the immediate future.

The bridge will remain closed until funds are found forthcoming to make it safe for travel.

Bridge Opened in 1890.

River Street bridge was built by the Hilton Bridge Company of Troy, N. Y., in 1886 and was opened for traffic in 1890. The total cost was \$17,415.20.

The old Bennington & Rutland Railroad paid \$1,168.60, the Delaware & Hudson Railroad, \$30,005.79 and the Rutland Railroad, \$3924.39 and Rutland City the balance, or approximately one half the cost.

The Rutland News
May 5, 1924

CONSIDER PLANS FOR NEW BRIDGE

It is probable that plans for a new bridge on River Street will be announced within a few days. It is known that Rutland city officials, and Rutland Railroad and Delaware & Hudson Railroad officials have been in conference over the question.

Tentative plans for the bridge have been submitted to the engineering departments of both railroads.

When the present bridge was built in 1888 it cost about \$18,000 and was paid for by the City and the Rutland and Delaware & Hudson Railroads.

The bridge was closed about a month ago by the Public Works department because it was found to be unsafe.

Residents of the southwestern part of the City are asking that work on the bridge be started at once.

The Rutland News
May 20, 1924

\$30,000 VOTED FOR NEW BRIDGE

Aldermen Appropriate Money For River St. Span; Railroads Will Match Sum.

Mayor James C. Dunn, speaking last night at the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen, said River Street bridge, now closed would be replaced at once with a modern cement and steel bridge at an estimated cost of \$60,000 and he asked an appropriation of \$30,000, which the Aldermen voted. Mayor Dunn said that the City had reached an agreement with the Rutland Railroad and the Delaware & Hudson Railroad, whereby they will pay the other half of the cost of the work. The work will be done entirely under the direction of the Public Works Department and the City is to receive the \$30,000 from the railroads in four payments as the work progresses.

Objection Raised to Garage.

There was much discussion over the application of Joseph Marceau for permission to build a garage on Elm Street. Attorney George M. Goddard, speaking for neighbors, objected to the garage on the ground that it would be a fire hazard. Mr. Marceau described his plans. The matter was referred to Fire Marshal Reedy and Aldermen Pike, Cheney and Cooper with power to act.

The Holmes Iron Works was given permission to build an addition to its factory on West Street. Nichols & Barney were given permission to build an addition to the rear part of their block at 46 Center Street.

Other Permits Granted.

The Rutland Council, Knights of Columbus, was given permission to rope off part of Grove Street between the Renaud Bakery and the Oakman property on the night of June 19 for the purpose of holding an outdoor dance in connection with a concert to be given by the Rutland City Band.

In the absence of President Daniel A. Bruten, Alderman Lucian J. Trudel was chosen to preside. The aldermen present were Trudel, Pike, Cheney, Smith, Moloney and Cooper.

POUR LAST PART OF NEW BRIDGE

MATERIALS USED IN RIVER ST. BRIDGE

An idea of the magnitude of the work involved in building the new River Street bridge can be gained from the following figures which show some of the materials used:—

138,404 pounds of reinforcing steel.
230,942 pounds of structural steel.
438 square yards of wooden block.
9,600 bags of cement.
1,700 tons of stone.
900 cubic yards of sand.
14,000 square feet of gunite.
700 lineal feet of guard rail.

The new viaduct consists of five 40-foot sections of reinforced concrete and two 80-foot through-plate-girder sections, including four 7-foot girders and 40 20 inch 1-beams.

Each concrete section has six girders varying from 12 by 4 8 inches to 14 by 36 inches and reinforced with 1 1/8 inch and 1 1/4 inch deformed bars with stirrups spaced from 3 1/2 to 12 inches apart in each girder. Each section has two 12 inch curtain walls reinforced with 3-4 inch deformed steel bars and expansion plates to overcome the expansion and contraction in the sections.

Roadway 18 Feet Wide.

The sidewalks are 7 feet throughout, 5 inches thick and reinforced with half-inch bars, and the roadway is 18 feet clear with two 6-inch curbs. The roadway slab is 7 1/2 inches uniform with a 3-inch wearing surface of yellow pine wood block creosoted.

All wood block are laid on an asphalt cushion and sealed with a hot asphalt heated to 360 degrees Fahrenheit within a half inch of the top. Over this, warm screened sand, is swept into the joints to form the mastic. On the ramp section the blocks are cut one-half inch deep on the upper edge to allow foothold for horses traveling over the viaduct.

WORK NEARING END

Structure Will Be Completed At Cost Slightly Under \$60,000, Which Is Less Than Original Estimate; Entire Construction Has Been Done by City's Public Works Department; Bridge Will Be Opened Next Week For Pedestrians and Next Month For Vehicular Traffic.

The last section of the River Street viaduct was poured today. This practically completes the construction of this important inlet to the City of Rutland. It will be opened to pedestrian travel next Wednesday and to vehicles on December 24 or thereabout. It has been erected at a cost slightly under \$60,000, the original estimate.

The handrail will be solid concrete, 8 inches thick and reinforced with half-inch bars with concrete posts 12 inches square every 8 feet.

Will Have Ornamental Lights.

Five of the piers are reinforced concrete of the arch type, with square pedestal sections and heavy reinforced concrete footings. The center pier of the 80-foot section consists of two structural steel columns with a structural steel connecting strut and has a protecting pier of reinforced concrete.

The east and west abutments were faced with two feet of massed concrete.

Six ornamental lights are to be installed, patterned on the old colonial type with lantern heads, shafts to be 16 feet high.

The viaduct is designed for two 15 ton trucks with 30 per cent. impact and will meet the requirements of the City of Rutland for a number of years.

Work Has Not Lagged.

Work of razing the old steel structure was begun June 2nd and completed June 30th. Construction work on the viaduct was begun July 1st and was completed Nov. 20th with exception of the hand rails and the guniting. These operations will not interfere with travel over the viaduct. The total cost will be slightly under the appropriation.

All of the work, from the drawing of the plans, was done solely by the Public Works department. The expense of the bridge born half by the city and half by the Rutland Railroad and the Delaware & Hudson Railroad.

Old Structure Became Unsafe.

The old structure consisted of a steel superstructure with wood plank deck and steel substructure on a marble block foundation. The erection of the old bridge was begun in 1886 by the Hilton Bridge Co.

and opened to traffic in 1890. Numerous repairs were made, at considerable expense to the City of Rutland.

In 1921 a thorough examination was made and the load limit reduced. Again in 1924, the structure was examined and the main girders were found defective and in some sections large holes had developed. The City Engineer condemned the structure as unsafe and his findings were substantiated by the State Engineer and engineers from the railroads.

The Rutland News
September 5, 1924

BRIDGE GIRDERS PUT INTO PLACES

**Heavy Iron Trusses Are Swung
Up on Piers For River St.
Span Over Railroad.**

Great plate iron girders, weighing 20 tons each and 80 feet long, are being swung into place at the River Street bridge by Supt. Joseph Feeley and his men, and when this is completed the most difficult part of building the long bridge will have been finished. The girders are swung up to a height of 23 feet and there are placed to a nicety on top of steel piers.

Railroad Crane Used.

A railroad crane from Malone, N. Y., has been brought here for the purpose.

Since work on the bridge was started even the switching engine in the railroad yard has not been delayed, until the swinging of the girders into place was begun.

Both arches of the bridge are completed and it is intended to have the bridge done by the end of the year. It is hoped to open it for pedestrians a little before that and to road traffic early in January. The bridge is to be 365 feet long, with a width over all of 32 feet.

Sidewalks Six Feet Wide.

The sidewalks are to be six feet wide and the road will be 18 feet wide. The floor will be of cement, reinforced by steel rods. All of the work is being done by Rutland men, even to the difficult steel work where men run around on the girders like acrobats.

The work on the approaches to the bridge will not be done until next spring and there is a considerable amount of it to be accomplished before the job is finished.

RIVER ST. BRIDGE OPENS TOMORROW

**Structure's Cost Given As
\$60,000 Under Original
Estimate.**

River Street Bridge, the City's new span from Strongs Avenue over the railroad tracks to Post Street, at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning will formally opened to traffic, according to an announcement made today by City officials. Although the bridge was practically completed over a month ago and opened to pedestrian travel, vehicles have not been allowed over the bridge to date.

State engineers and bridge builders from all parts of New England who have seen the structure call it one of the best built bridges in this section.

The entire bridge was designed and erected by the City Public Works department and was completed in about four months' time a remarkably short period for so great a construction job.

The bridge was built at a cost \$60,000 less than the original estimate, and contractors have said that the City saved many thousands of dollars on the work.

The Rutland News
December 31, 1924

RIVER ST. BRIDGE OPENED BY MAYOR

River Street bridge at 10 o'clock this morning was opened to vehicle travel. Mayor James C. Dunn and, Commissioner of Public Works Joseph P. Feeley who built the span, followed by Fire Chief A. H. Koltonski on the new fire truck, were the first to ride over the structure.

The bridge was erected at an expense to the city of something less than \$30,000, the other half of the cost being borne by the Rutland Railroad and Delaware & Hudson Railroad.

The bridge replaces the one erected in 1888 at a cost of about \$17,000.

The Rutland News
December 23, 1924

MAY START WORK ON PINE HILL PK.

**Aldermen Recently Appro-
priated \$3000 For Prop-
erty's Development.**

The Pine Hill Park project may be started this year. The Mayor's budget, adopted at the last meeting of the Board of Aldermen, called for an appropriation of \$3,000 for the development of the park, and it is possible that a road around the park will be constructed this year.

A survey of the park was completed last year. There are 282 acres in the park, and the north section is about 75 feet from Rocky Pond. The land, known as the Pierpoint property, was given to the city for a park three years ago by former Mayor Henry O. Carpenter.

The property, outside its ultimate use as a park, has been of great value to the city. The Public Works Department has found on it an abundance of traprock for road-building. The city has a modern quarrying plant there and it is said that there is enough stone on the site to last the city for many years. Practically all of the stone used in the building of permanent roads and the repairing of the streets is quarried on the property.

GREEN MOUNTAIN TRAIL

Charles P. Cooper, president, describes the club organization and tells what the club is trying to do for its members and others.

WIDE INTEREST

Membership in club, which keeps trails and shelters drawn from far and wide and is constantly increasing,

By C. P. COOPER, President.

Before going into its history or achievements let me say that this is a popular, not an exclusive organization, and wishes to include in its membership all Rutland people who wish to further its object of making the Green Mountains better known to the world, whether they themselves get out and tramp or not.

The dues are two dollars for a year and the local treasurer is Willis M. Ross. Send your check to him or George N. Harman, local president.

If you live in Rutland, join the local section, known as the Killington Section of the Green Mountain Club.

A Bit of History.

"The Green Mountain Club was organized in 1910, with headquarters at Burlington, for the purpose of bringing the mountains closer to the people, not only of Vermont, but of the entire country."

(The above quotation is from the first Guide Book of the Long Trail, 1917).

James P. Taylor had made a map showing a proposed foot trail along the backbone of the Green Mountain Range from Massachusetts to Canada and this man was largely the basis of the organization.

The dues then were \$1.00 per year and the work of building the Long Trail was financed mostly by gifts, both large and small, sent to the energetic "James P." and an arrangement was made with the State Forestry Department who furnished experienced men to start the work.

Building the Long Trail.

The first section marked and completed was that from Sherburne Pass to Killington and many say it is the best kept up and used, and for a good many years it was the only used portion of the Long Trail in this vicinity.

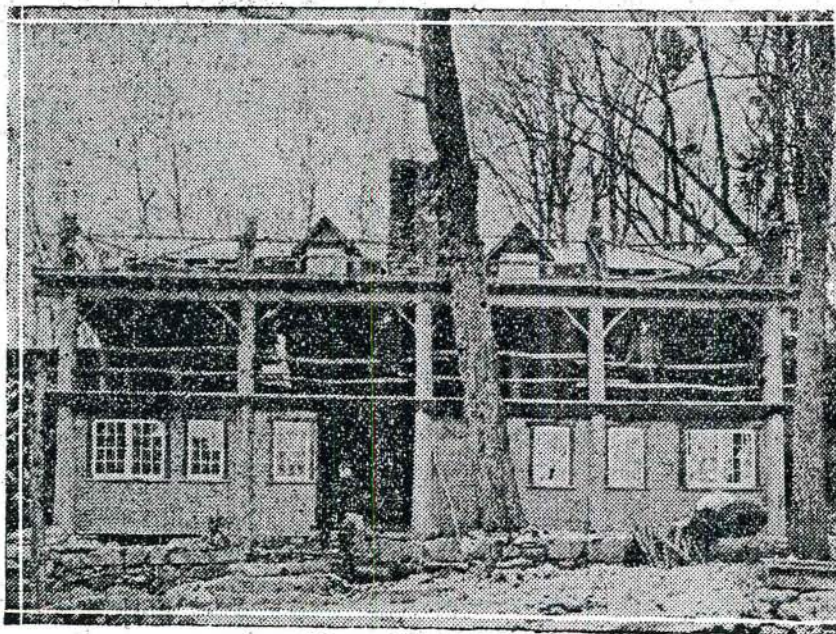
The next work of importance was connecting Mt. Mansfield, with Camel's Hump, where a fine trail has now been maintained for many years.

Then Prof. Will S. Monroe, backed by an enthusiastic New York Section of the G. M. C. organized by him undertook to carry the Long Trail from Camel's Hump through an unsurveyed, almost unknown and very rough wilderness to Middlebury Gap. It was a big job but resulted in the great Monroe Sky Line Section of the Long Trail.

Various bands of earnest workers, mostly unpaid, closed the gap from Breadloaf Mountain to Killington.

In the meantime and early in the history of the club the Bennington section made 52 miles of the Long Trail available from Massachusetts near North Adams to a point near Bennington and then over Mt. Stratton and to Prospect Rock, near Manchester Depot.

The Green Mountain Clubhouse



Side View

Finally a general trail committee character of much of the Long Trail in this mountain wilderness, as to serve as a pilot on the trail itself. The 1917 Guide Book was a pamphlet with four sketchy maps and much detailed information. At that time less than half the present Long Trail was open to public use.

The Club Is Incorporated.

In 1917 at a meeting at Brandon the club, was incorporated and its office located at Rutland.

At this meeting Mortimer R. Proctor was president of the club and retained the office until going into the army, at the first draft he resigned, and C. P. Cooper as Vice President, became President, and has served up to this time.

Publication.

The Long Trail Guide Book (50 cents at the book stores) is the principal publication of the club.

The first Guide Book was issued in 1917. By that time officers of the club were being swamped with letters asking how to do the trail and all about it. It was just as necessary to warn the public of the incomplete

character of much of the Long Trail in this mountain wilderness, as to serve as a pilot on the trail itself.

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The 1920 Long Trail Guide Book assumed its present form with 56 pages, printed in one color and with nine maps. A novel feature was the printing on the page opposite the section maps of names of mountains, passes, camps, etc., with elevation and distances traveled.

The edition was expected to last two years, but was sold out in less than one year and a revised edition with ten maps came out in 1921.

Then came the 1922 edition of 80 pages, 13 maps (many of them in two colors) and several cuts showing (many of them in two colors) and several cuts showing blazes and signs used on the trails.

A new Guide Book with corrected maps will be issued soon.

Many pamphlets have been issued from time to time.

The Trails Near Rutland.

The Killington Trails will especially interest Rutland people so will be briefly described here.

There are five ways to reach the

summit by good trails leaving your automobile from 3 1/2 to 6 miles from the summit.

Trails Over Mt. Killington.

(1) Long Trail from Sherburne Pass to Killington Peak About 5 3/4 Miles. Leave your auto or stage at the new Club House at Dear Leap. Follow the Long Trail south two miles to Pico Junction. Here you can follow the Long Trail around Pico Peak on a level trail or go over the top and get the view from the tower. It's a little further and harder to climb over the peak, but worth while. There is a good spring on the Long Trail near each end of the trail over Pico Peak. Three and a half miles from Pico Junction on the Long Trail (easy going) you reach the round metal camp called Killington Camp near the old Hotel site and the big spring. On the way up to this point you will get many fine views, but will travel mostly in shaded woods on an easy path, with frequent springs. It's a steep rocky trail of one-fourth miles to summit. Total distance from highway to summit about 5 3-4 miles.

(2) Long Trail via Herb. Haley's: Drive southeast from Rutland along Cold River Road to Crossing of Long Trail at Brookside Cottage and walk north 7 1/2 miles to Killington Camp. If you wish to shorten the walk, turn with your car to left from Cold River Road one-quarter mile west of Brookside Cottage, cross red bridge, go up steep hill and follow a rather complicated, but good road to Herb. Haley's. It is 5 miles from Herb. Haley's to the metal camp. Plenty of water.

(3) Old Hotel Road via "Brewers Corners": Drive up the beautiful Mendon Notch Road and take the first right turn above Mendon Village. Follow road to Brewers Corners (remains of old log house and a sign post with arrows), leave car and follow the old road afoot to Killington Camp, the metal camp near old hotel site. There are no views on this trail for it is all in the woods, but the easiest route. Three and one half miles Brewers to Killington Camp. Dry in late summer.

(4) Rooney Trail via Brewers Corners: Same as No. 3 to 1 mile east of Brewers, here take right road 1-1.2 miles to Rooney's Lumber Camp (closed), then 1 mile up a steep trail to Killington Camp. Well watered and fine views to west-

ward. We suggest going up hotel road and return via Rooney's, as the best round trip.

(5) **Trail from West Bridgewater:** Leave car or stage at Trail Sign about one-quarter miles west of West Bridgewater Postoffice. It's 6 miles to summit. In dry weather you may find no water after crossing brook about two miles east of summit.

Suggestions for One Day Trips.

(a) Drive to Brewers and go up trail No. 3 and return on No. 4 (walk 7 miles.)

(b) Take morning stage to Deer Leap and catch evening stage at West Bridgewater. (Walk 12 miles.)

(c) Drive to Herb. Haley's and return via stage from Deer Leap. (Walk 11 miles.)

Other Trail Trips.

Besides the trips over Killington a great many hikes may be arranged by use of the summer stage lines, the Rutland Railway, your own car or a hired one.

At East Clarendon (rail or stage) you can hit the Long Trail.

(a) North from East Clarendon 1 mile is a comfortable open camp and from there over the hills to Brookside 3 miles are some fine views.

(b) South from East Clarendon across and along Clarendon Gorge to Shrewsbury Pond (2 1-2 miles) is one of the prettiest stretches on the whole Long Trail. You can return via trail or take road about same distance to Cuttingsville or continue south over Long Trail to Wallingford Gulf Road (2 1-2 miles) down road to Wallingford (2 miles.)

(c) The Trail over White Rock Mountain from Wallingford to South Wallingford is a fine day's hike.

(d) If you like to follow rushing trout streams we commend the following: Drive up the Weston road from Danby to the abandoned village of Griffith; walk south up Roaring Brook, pass Long Hole and over to Lake Griffith, here you can short cut down to Danby or go on south over Styles Peak and down Mad Tom Brook to Dorset. Attractive camping sites are at Lake Griffith and near head of Mad Tom Brook, where there is a good open front lodge of the G. M. C., with stove, bunks and table.

(e) The Deer Leap caves can be visited between stages and the view from the cliff is fine. A meal or two at the Green Mountain Club House

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will make this trip especially attractive.

(f) The Long Trail north from Deer Leap to Noyes Pond (6 miles) can be included with (e) or made a separate trip.

Use of Stage Lines.

Few Rutland people realize their opportunity to reach the mountain trails via stage.

During the summer there are five daily stages each way to The Green Mountain Club House and the Long Trail at Deer Leap on the road to Woodstock.

Stages from Rutland cross the Long Trail also at Rochester Pass, at height of land between Chittenden and Pittsfield, at East Clarendon and another parallels the Long Trail from Rutland to Bennington.

Bird Mountain.

Bird Mountain is not on the Long Trail but for a half day trip is one of the best in the state.

You can go to Hart's stop on the trolley, about two miles west of West Rutland and follow the road south about 1 1-2 miles, or you can drive your car to the School house close to Hart's Stop and drive south on a rather hard road that same one and a half miles. About one mile south of school house road turns to right towards the Bird Mountain Cliff.

Where the road practically ends at a farm house there is a path up to the notch which you will observe north of the cliff. Just below the last steep climb to the notch is a fine spring. There is no water above that point. It's about a mile from the road to the summit.

A number of lakes can be observed and the view is a broad and beautiful one. If you wish to return to car line by a different route, you will find a path going down west side at the notch. This will lead you to a road back to the trolley.

Pine Hill.

Here is a beautiful walk within the city limits.

At north end of Evergreen Avenue you reach the city property donated to the City by H. O. Carpenter for a park, but as yet not improved, follow the stone cusher road about half a mile, but before the last steep climb

The Green Mountain Clubhouse



Front View

to the city quarry take the old logging road to left and go about a mile to Rocky Pond, climb the broken rocks at west of Rocky Pond and get the valley view. Note the new lake, Patch Pond.

You can return the same way or go around east side of Rocky Pond and follow road north and then east to Country Club. The woodland you have been in, south of Rocky Pond, is all city property. Rocky Pond and the land north of the south end of the pond is Country Club property. Don't you think the city should try to acquire this beautiful pond, add it to the park and make it accessible. Look it over this spring anyway. It's part of your own city property, even if the sign at its entrance says "Keep Off."

The Green Mountain Club House.

Who may use it and what it will cost.

During 1923 there was built for the club on the south side of the highway from Rutland to Woodstock at the highest point a beautiful rustic building. The building is a present to the club from Mortimer R. Proctor and the furnishings presented by Mrs. Fletcher D. Proctor. On the north side of the road rises the imposing Deer Leap Cliff. The caves below the cliff contain many interesting caverns connected by narrow passages and outside paths. The Long Trail passes through the Club House and for a distance of 100 miles forms a part of the Appalachian Trail projected to extend from Maine to Georgia. On the north of the road is an open front camp for use of hikers who prefer to sleep in the open and can accommodate 24 people.

In this open camp is a stove, a table and some cooking utensils. The use of the open camp will be free, or there may be a small charge to pay for care and fire wood. Blankets may be rented.

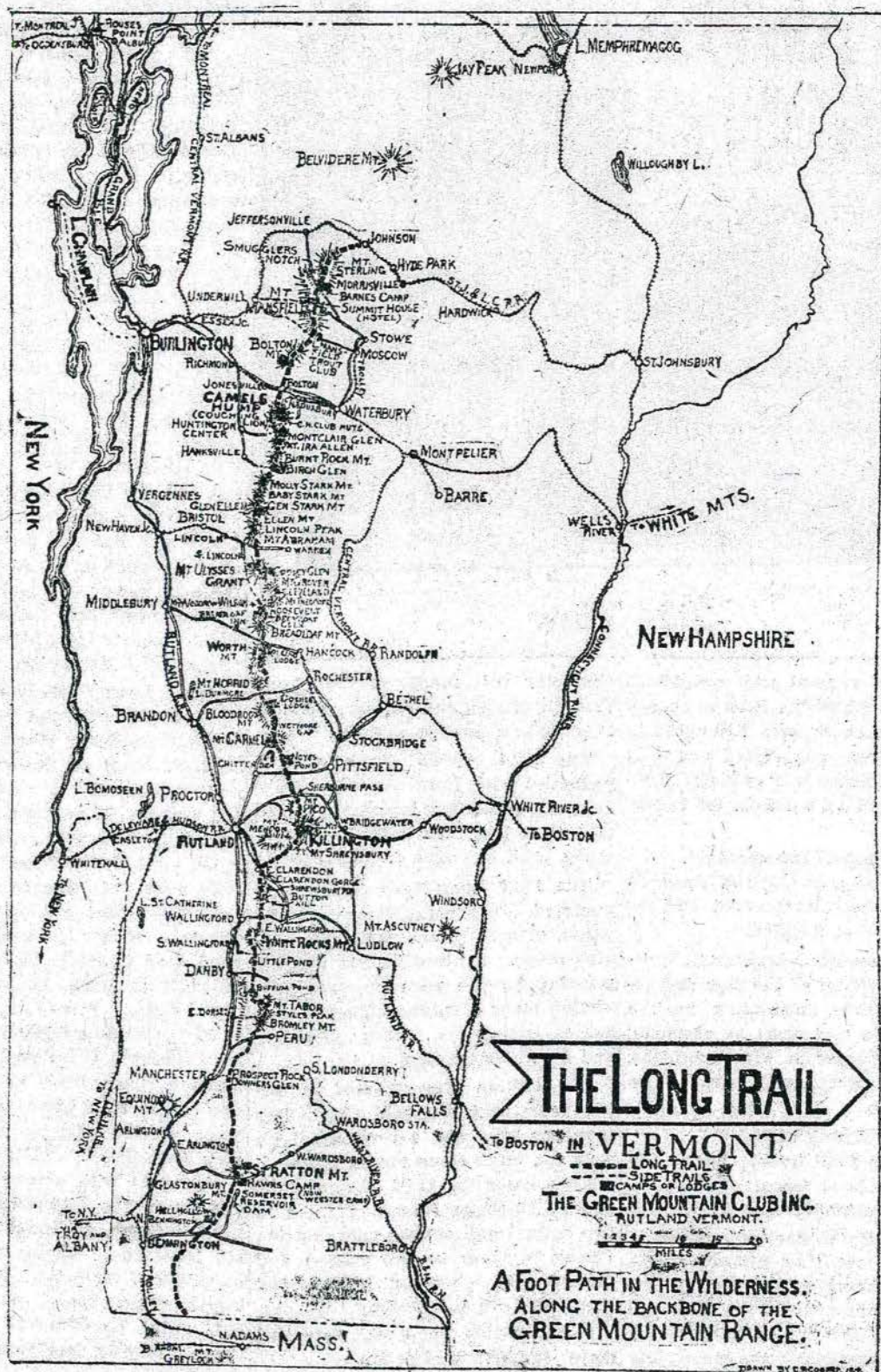
The Club House being fully furnished will be operated much as a high class small hotel. Meals will be served to all well behaved people who apply and up to the capacity of the house. The nine bedrooms will be reserved for members and their guests. Hikers on the Long Trail will be accommodated if possible.

All desiring to stop at night should present membership cards or guest cards signed by members. There is a telephone at the house and it

would be well to call up ahead for meals and lodging.

Cost of Service.

It is probable that members will receive a lower rate than guests of the public. Members will probably get a substantial meal at not over one dollar, and lodging for same



amount. Guests and the public will probably pay about 25 per cent more.

It is expected that the people of Rutland County will very largely join the Killington Section of the Club at Rutland or the Proctor Section at Proctor and so be entitled to all privileges and at lowest rates. The cost of membership at present is only \$2.00 per year.

Charles Lester and wife are to be in charge of the club house and their many years of catering insures fine services.

George Harman is chairman of the house committee, in general charge for the club house after May 1.

The building is of such unique construction that hundreds of people stopped to see it during construction. There is not a bit of varnished furniture in the house.

The club has a library of outdoor books that will be placed in the Club House soon.

The water used in the house comes from springs high above all possible pollution.

About 50 tons of pure ice from Pico Pond is in the club's ice-house.

A ten stall garage and complete electric light plant were added to the equipment late last fall.

We hope to be ready to serve meals to the public from May 1st to October 31st.

Until May 1st members of the club can rent the house for private parties by consulting Cola J. Cleveland of the temporary House Committee.

Rutland Daily Herald
August 7, 1930

New Long Trail Cabin Being Built

**"Camp Woodfin" Given by Mr.
and Mrs. F. D. White; "Under-
cliffe" Progressing.**

Construction of the new Long Trail cabin, to be known as "Camp Woodfin," presented to the Green Mountain club by Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. White of this city, is rapidly nearing completion. The cabin is entirely of stone and is situated in a rocky niche between the Long Trail lodge and the main road. The camp, which when finished will be one of the most picturesque in the vicinity, contains two bedrooms and a living room. One of its main attractions will be a large stone fireplace. Mortimer R. Proctor, president of the club, announced last evening that the cabin would probably be completed within 10 days.

Reconstruction of the cabin "Undercliffe," which was destroyed by fire on July 25, is also underway. The camp is being re-built on the same plan as the former one, at a cost of approximately \$1900, although the arrangement has been improved upon. The building, which is used as a sleeping quarters for tourists, also contains two bedrooms and a living room. A stone fire-place is being erected in place of the old one which was of iron. The new cabin is equipped with running water and other facilities which the old building did not contain. Work on both cabins is being hurried along by a large crew of workmen, under the supervision of Paul W. Thayer of Wallingford, architect in charge.

According to officials of the Green Mountain club, "Undercliffe" camp will be ready for tourists between two and three weeks.

Rutland Daily Herald
August 29, 1930

2 CABINS BUILT AT LONG TRAIL LODGE

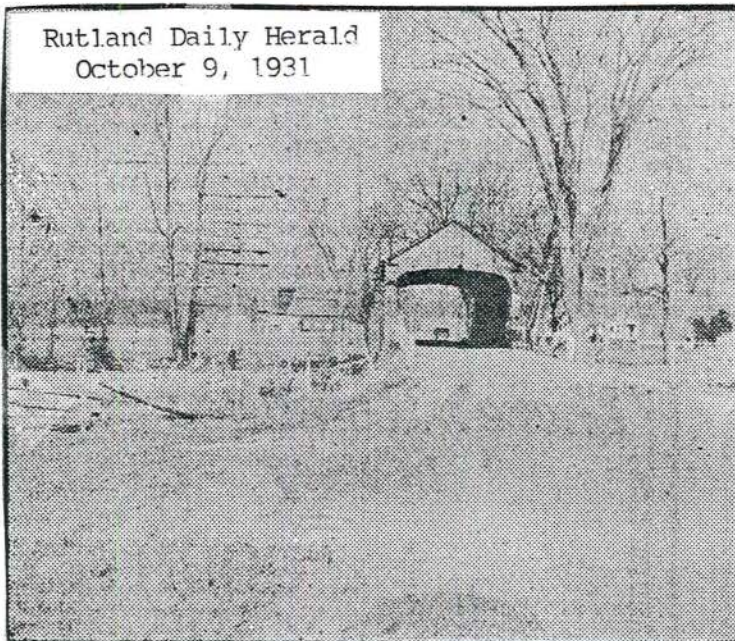
**One Is Memorial to John
N. Woodfin; Other Will
Replace Burned Camp.**

Two new cabins have been built by the Green Mountain club near Long Trail lodge at Sherburne pass. One is a few feet northwest of the main lodge, on the site of Undercliffe, which was destroyed by fire a few weeks ago. It follows the rustic style of the razed building, stones and logs from the surrounding forests having played a large part in its construction.

The other cabin, which is a memorial to John N. Woodfin of this city and was built by funds provided by Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. White of Washington street, stands just north of the new Undercliffe, down a slight slope. It, too, is rustic as to general surroundings and furnishings. The cabin is equipped with a fireplace, bedsteads made from logs with the bark on and tables fashioned from forest material. Some of the rocks of the mountain-side, covered with ferns and moss, serve as one of the side walls.

The cabins were built by Paul W. Thayer of Wallingford, architect of the lodge.

Rutland Daily Herald
October 9, 1931

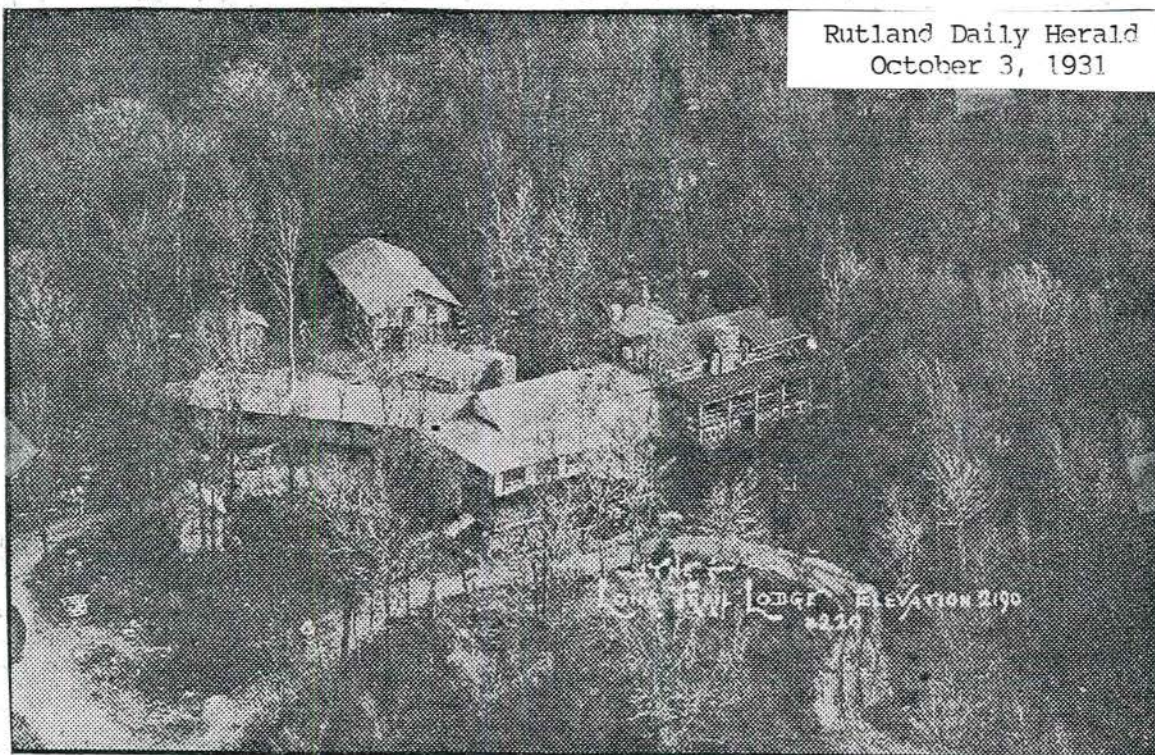


Herald Photo.

Lester covered bridge, three miles from city, as it appeared before new cement highway to north was commenced last spring.

Where Many Hikers Tarry to View Autumn Colors

Rutland Daily Herald
October 3, 1931



Herald Photo.



Herald Photo.

Pictured above is the group of buildings comprising the plant of Long Trail lodge, rustic inn, at Sherburne pass, operated by the Green Mountain club. At left and right are shown two types of the sleeping cabins.



Herald Photo.

DANA SCHOOL BURNS,

CAUSE OF FIRE STILL UNKNOWN

LOSS \$100,000

Arrangements Being Made for 325 Pupils to Resume Studies Elsewhere; Building, Erected in 1907, Will Cost \$125,000 to Replace.

Fire, the origin of which is not definitely known, destroyed the Dana School Building about 6.30 o'clock this morning, causing the city a loss of \$100,000. The fire means an additional loss to some 325 pupils who were receiving their education in the building.

President of the School Board Walter S. Fenton and Supt. of Schools W. W. Fairchild acted quickly this morning to care for the children and it is expected that temporary quarters will be fixed up so that school work will be resumed tomorrow.

Fire Discovered by Woman.

So far as can be learned the fire was discovered by a woman who saw flames shooting from a window in one of the northeast rooms on the second floor.

Theories advanced as to the cause of the fire are that it may have resulted from defective wiring, or that it may have been caused by an oil stove or an electric toaster in the event that either of the latter was accidentally left burning following a meeting of the Dana Parent-Teachers' Association yesterday afternoon. One thing is certain—the fire had been burning for some time when it was discovered.

Insurance Recently Increased.

Forethought on the part of President Fenton of the School Board

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probably saved the City several thousand dollars. Recently he advocated a resolution, which was adopted by the school board, doubling fire insurance, and the Dana School fire insurance was increased to \$20,000. There is about \$3000 worth of insurance on the equipment.

Two Alarms Sounded.

An alarm was sounded from Box 29 and later a second alarm was sounded. When the firemen arrived the fire had a good start. The firemen had a line of hose on the building in quick time, but the water pressure was only 50 pounds, which is normal pressure in that section of the city. The water did not rise much above the second story, and that made quick fighting of the fire difficult.

Chief Reedy realized the predicament and ordered the steam engine to the scene. The engine was going within an hour and this enabled the department to put four streams on the building, with a pressure of 110 pounds.

Building Erected in 1907.

The building was erected in 1907 at a cost of \$41,145, and since then many thousands of dollars have been spent in equipment and improvements. The building was regarded as one of the best school buildings in the city. The building cannot be rebuilt today for less than \$125,000.

It was a two story and one-half building, containing nine school rooms and a sewing room.

The teachers assigned to Dana School are Miss M. Kittie Crowley, principal; Miss Nora B. Anthony, Mrs. Sabina Brothers, Miss Mary Kieley, Miss Irene Longe, Miss Catherine Gaynor, Miss Helen Corcoran, Miss Mary Corcoran and Miss Adelaide B. Schryver. The janitor is L. M. Oney.

The Rutland News
February 9, 1924

TO OFFER PLAN ON DANA SCHOOL

School Board Denies Parent-Teacher Ass'n. Was at Fault For Disastrous Fire.

The Board of Education will hold a special meeting Monday evening for the purpose of adopting some plan for the rebuilding of the Dana School, destroyed by fire on Wednesday morning. The insurance on the building and contents is \$22,500. The building committee is investigating the cost of repairs and building equipment and is expected to submit an estimated cost Monday evening.

The Board of Education, through President Walter S. Fenton has absolved the Dana Parent-Teacher Association of any blame for the fire. Members of the association were not in the building after 6 o'clock and the investigation shows that the fire was not caused by an oil stove or an electric toaster, as has been persistently rumored.

The definite cause of the fire is still unknown but, many believe that it started from a defective chimney. L. M. Oney, the janitor of the building, states that there was no person in the building at the time of the fire and there had been no one in the building for several hours before.

A reassignment of the pupils who were enrolled at the Dana school is made necessary by the fire of this morning. The pupils will be distributed as follows:

1. Grades 1-2-3-4 and 5B of the Dana School will report at the Madison building from 12.45 p. m. to 4.30 p. m. each day. The children who are now registered at the Madison building will attend school there from 8.30 a. m. to 12.15 p. m. each day.
2. Grade 5A will meet in Room 2 and Grade 6A will meet in Room 11 of the High School each day from 1 p. m. to 5 p. m.
3. Grade 6B and the Ungraded room will meet in the Longfellow Building each day from 12.45 p. m. to 4.30 p. m.
4. Grade 7 will have regular school hours at the Lincoln Building.

This arrangement will go into effect Friday, February 8.

We call upon all parents and citizens to give the schools their assistance and co-operation in the present emergency. Some will be seriously inconvenienced by the school hours and the distance children have to travel. It is believed that the arrangement outlined above will serve the interests of the children concerned better than any other plan.

The long session for the young children will be broken by rest-play lunch periods so that they will suffer no harm.

Signed W. W. FAIRCHILD

Superintendent of Schools

VOTE TO REPAIR DANA BUILDING

School Board Awards to C. G. Noyes the Contract for New Roof on School.

The Board of School Commissioners at a special meeting held last night voted to repair at once the Dana School building, damaged by fire and Charles G. Noyes was awarded the contract to put a roof on the building, his estimate of the cost being \$3207.

City Attorney Clayton H. Kinney stated that in emergency cases it was not necessary to advertise for bids.

Work will be started at once. The board voted to put \$18,000 fire insurance on the present structure.

The Rutland News
February 20, 1924

DANA BUILDING TO BE REPAIRED

City Officials and School Board Arrange Plans to Finance Project.

At a recent meeting of the Board of School Commissioners Mayor James C. Dunn and City Treasurer Will L. Davis appeared before the board and discussed a plan for financing the cost of the repairs to the Dana School building occasioned by the recent fire.

Estimates as to the cost of repairing the building and replacing the contents destroyed indicated that it would be necessary to provide funds to the amount of several thousand dollars in excess of the \$22,500 insurance, which will be available.

No Special Tax.

It was at first anticipated that it would be necessary to raise this money either by a special tax or by an issue of bonds, but City Treasurer Davis outlined a plan which after conference with the Mayor and President of the School Board, was submitted to the board Saturday evening, that would obviate the necessity for issuing any bonds or calling for a special tax, and would leave the tax rate for the next year just as it is.

Use Insurance Fund.

The plan contemplated the using of the balance of the high school insurance money now on hand, deferring for a year certain rather expensive repairs to other school buildings and applying the money instead to be used therefor to the Dana building, and the use of such other money available for school purposes as could be spared by the exercises of the most rigid economy, the balance to be taken care of by the general city funds. In as much as there was a small reduction in the state tax, both the city treasurer and the Mayor believe that by the same rigid economy on the part of the City Council there will be sufficient money in the Dana school repairs, and they felt that the matter should be handled in that way and the tax rate held where it is, rather than to ask for any special tax or any bond issue.

Board Concurs.

The board unanimously concurred in this view and adopted the plan outlined by Mr. Davis.

The working out of this plan, as well as the ability of the School Board to meet its necessary operating expenses for the year, depends wholly upon the favorable action by the voters on the article which will appear in the warning authorizing the City Council to appropriate for the use of schools 15 cents on the dollar of the grand list in excess of the 85 cents allowed by the charter. This is the same tax that was voted last year and which it is necessary to vote each year because of the fact that the charter does not permit the City Council to appropriate money in excess of 85 cents on the dollar of the grand list without a special vote authorizing them to do so. With this 15 cents tax the school tax will amount to one dollar, just as it was last year, and it does not in any way increase the tax rate in force during the past year.

The Rutland News
February 27, 1924

WILL PLACE PERMANENT ROOF ON DANA SCHOOL

The Board of School Commissioners held a special meeting in the School Board rooms in the City Hall yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock and after hearing the report of the building committee decided to have a permanent roof put on the Dana School building, which structure was recently burned. The board at a recent meeting accepted the bid of Charles G. Noyes for a temporary roof. In changing to a permanent roof the extra expense will not be great. Under a plan adopted by the board and submitted by City Treasurer, Will L. Davis the city has funds for the work and it will not be necessary to ask for a special appropriation.

The Rutland News
April 22, 1924

LET CONTRACT FOR DANA SCHOOL WORK

The Board of School Commissioners, at a special meeting last night held in the School Board rooms at the City Hall, awarded the contract for repairing the Dana school, gutted by fire last February, to Edward Geno of Bellevue Avenue. His bid was \$26,000. Other bids were Wolcott & Quigley, \$29,432; F. H. Remington, \$28,000, and Charles G. Noyes, \$27,645. The bids were all sealed and were not opened last evening. Under the terms of the agreement the work must be completed by August 23. A special committee composed of President Walter S. Fenton, Commissioners Samuel Huffmire and Wallace W. Nichols were named to appoint an inspector to supervise the work.

Mr. Geno plans to sublet the contract as follows: Masonry, John Harrison; plumbing, Adams & Noe; painting, McKirryher & Granger; electric work, C. E. Oakman.

RUTLAND WILL HAVE TEAM IN LEAGUE

**A. A. Prouse Is Elected President of Temporary Organization;
Season Will Open May 15, With Montreal, Ottawa, Quebec
and Montpelier-Barre as Other Teams Entered in League.**

Arthur A. Prouse was elected president of the temporary organization of the Rutland Baseball association at the meeting held Saturday evening in the Grand Army hall. Other temporary officers elected were: vice president, Walter K. Burbank; secretary and treasurer, Harold I. O'Brien.

The temporary organization was formed after the fans had voted unanimously to give organized baseball a tryout in Rutland and to enter a team in the Vermont-Canadian League. The temporary organization will have charge of financing the proposition it being hoped to raise about \$4000 by stock subscription.

Canadian Officers Speak.

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March 31, 1924

ORGANIZATION OF BASEBALL LEAGUE RECEIVES SETBACK

Montpelier-Barre Directors Have Not Dropped Project for Organized League, But Are Inclined to Favor Independent Baseball—Will Vote on Matter This Week.

Organized baseball in Rutland and the future of the Vermont-Canada baseball league this summer depend on the action of Montpelier-Barre Baseball Association directors, who are to meet this week. Final action will be taken at a meeting of all league team directors to be held Saturday at the Windsor Hotel in Montreal.

At the meeting held in Montreal Saturday and Sunday about 20 Canadian baseball managers and directors of league teams were present. Arthur A. Prouse and Harold I. O'Brien of Rutland and Arthur W. Daly of Montpelier were present.

Rutland was already and agreed to all terms of the league regulations but Daly said that the Montpelier-Barre directors were split on the organized baseball proposition. He said at a meeting held last week the directors wanted more information about the financial prospects of the league and also certified copies of the monies collected from games in Canada last year.

The Canadian directors readily produced their books and Rutland

representatives say they tallied exactly with the facts as President Joseph Paige outlined at the meeting held here. They showed conclusively that several thousand dollars was taken in at games last year and much money was given outside clubs where the guarantee was only 40 per cent, while this year it will be 50 percent. It was also shown that the Canadian managers made \$25,000, on the sale of ball players to the big leagues. Several thousand dollars was lost on money loaned to keep the Three Rivers, Can., team in the league. Daly was given certified copies of the financial statements and they will be produced at the Montpelier-Barre directors meeting this week.

If the organized baseball proposition is adopted by the Montpelier-Barre directors, the league is assured and the schedule will be announced next Sunday. If Montpelier-Barre decides on Independent baseball of the calibre of last year the Vermont-Canada League will not be organized. Newport, Saranac Lake, N. Y., and Plattsburg, N. Y., favor an independent league.

The Rutland News
April 5, 1924

DIRECTORS SO DECIDED TODAY

Prouse and Daly Leave for Montreal to Attend Organization of Class B. Outfit; Barre, Opposing Project, Will Have Independent Team.

President Arthur A. Prouse of the Rutland Baseball team stated this afternoon that the Vermont-Canada Class B. Minor baseball league is assured and that he would leave this afternoon for Montreal to attend a meeting of the directors and draw up the schedule.

Prouse said that he received word from Arthur W. Daly at noon today saying that Montpelier would enter a team in the league. Decision to that effect was made at a meeting of the Montpelier directors this morning. Daly also was to leave for Montreal this afternoon.

The question of the league hinged on the decision of the Montpelier-Barre outfit. Barre has withdrawn and Montpelier has taken over the proposition. Daly has been assured financial backing from Montpelier directors. The Barre directors voted to form an independent team at a meeting held last night.

The Vermont-Canadian League will be composed of Montreal, Ottawa, Quebec, Montpelier, Rutland and probably Sherbrooke, P. Q. Following the organization of the league and drawing up of the schedule tomorrow, Prouse will resume negotiations for the signing of manager for the local team. Already he has four or five big league players under consideration.

The Rutland News
April 9, 1924

CLASS B LEAGUE FORMED

**Deposits Are Put Up by Six
Teams; Prouse of Rutland
One of Directors.**

The Vermont-Canada Class B, organized baseball league, with six teams, has been formed, and all teams have deposited checks of \$500 with the treasurer of the organization. Officers of the league are President and Secretary Joseph Paige, Montreal; treasurer, C. Hart, Montreal; assistant secretary, Joseph Paige, jr., Montreal. The directors are Arthur A. Prouse of Rutland, Arthur W. Daley of Montpelier, J. Dubuc and W. Harper of Ottawa, H. Fountaine of Quebec, C. Storey and C. A. Cadbois representing the Montreal Royals and Leo Dandarrand of Les Canadiens.

Directors who attended the meeting held for the past three days at the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, say the league will benefit by the entrance of the team of Leo Dandarrand, the biggest sporting promoter in Canada. The past winter he was manager of the Worlds' Champion Hockey team. He is often called the "Tex" Rickard of Canada.

Teams In The League.

The teams in the league will be Rutland, Montpelier, Ottawa, Quebec, Montreal Royals and Montreal Les Canadiens. A schedule of 120 games has been drawn up and the season will start about the middle of May.

President Prouse of the Rutland team has a scout in Chicago today endeavoring to secure a former member of one of the Chicago teams to manage the local team. Prouse plans to go to Boston within a few days and sign up two or three pitchers who took the Southern trip with the two Boston teams.

The Rutland News
April 10, 1924

FANS GET PROMISE OF FAST BASEBALL

**Prouse, President of Rutland Association, Predicts Biggest
Baseball Season Rutland Has Ever Seen—Rutland's
Schedule at Home and Abroad.**

Articles of association for the Rutland Baseball Association are being drawn up and it is probable that stock will be offered Rutland County fans within a few days. President Prouse of the local association says that it looks now like the biggest baseball season ever seen in Rutland, and that is "some statement" for Prouse as he knows the brand of baseball seen here in years gone by.

The fans are interested and are anxious to give organized baseball in the State a tryout. Under the terms of the Class B. Minor League the salary limit is \$3200 and once a baseball player puts his "John Hancock" to a contract he is the property of the Rutland Baseball Association. If the player becomes a star and a big league club wants his services, that club must purchase him from the local association. The lowest price any league can pay for a minor league player is \$1500 and often when several of the big league clubs start bidding the price runs into several thousands of dollars.

Prouse has been making a keen study of organized baseball and it was largely through his efforts that Rutland obtained a franchise in the Vermont-Canada League. The schedule calls for 120 games and the season will start in May.

Rutland Games.

Following is the list of games to be played by the Rutland team:—

Montpelier at Rutland—June 12, 13, 22 (two games); July 13, 14, 15, 16; August 8, 9, 10, 11 and 24.

Rutland at Montpelier—June, 19, 20, 21; July, 17, 18, 19; August 25, 26 and 27.

Ottawa at Rutland—June, 6, 7, 8; July 22 (two games)

Rutland at Ottawa—May 23, 24, 25; June 23, 24, 25; August 21, 22, 23.

Quebec at Rutland—May 29, 30, (two games) 31; July, 29, 30 and 31; August 28, 29 and 30.

Rutland at Quebec—May 26, 27, 28; June 26, 27, 28; July, 25, 26, 27; August 18, 19, 20.

Montreal (Royals) at Rutland—May, 18, 19, 21; July, 3, 4, 3, and 6; August 1, 2, and 3.

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Rutland at Montreal Le Canadiens—June, 1, 2, 3; July 24, 25, 26 and 27; August, 24, 25, 26 and 27.

UNIFORMS ORDERED FOR LOCAL TEAM

Albany, N. Y., If It Could Get Rid of Its Eastern Association Franchise, Would Like to Enter Vermont-Canadian League.

The Rutland Baseball team of the Vermont-Canadian League will wear white uniforms at home and black and gray suits when playing outside of the city. President A. A. Prouse and Secretary Harold I. O'Brien ordered the suits, baseball bats, and other equipment today.

One of the rules of organized baseball is that there be two different uniforms for playing at home and abroad.

The Vermont-Canadian League.

is attracting much attention in baseball circles. It is said that the Albany, N. Y., club of the Eastern Association would like to have its franchise transferred to Binghamton, N. Y., providing it could get into the Vermont-Canada League. However, the League directors are desirous of going through with a six team league this year and perhaps make it an eight team association next year by the taking in of Glens Falls, N. Y., and perhaps Albany, N. Y.

The Rutland News
April 14, 1924

PROUSE IN BOSTON TO SIGN MANAGER FOR LOCAL TEAM

He Expects to Get Contracts of Several Players Before Returning Home—Maranville, Hummell, Hoffman and Doyle Are Mentioned for Post of Manager of Local Team.

Arthur Prouse, president of the Rutland Baseball Association, is in Boston today to sign a manager for the Rutland baseball team. He is to meet Joseph Paige, president of the Quebec, Canadian and Vermont League, and they are to confer with the manager of the Boston National League team. Prouse plans to sign two pitchers, a catcher, a first and a third baseman who went South with Major League baseball teams.

Prouse wants a good manager, a player who has had exercise on big league baseball clubs and who also will be able to develop young ball payers. Rutland could have had "Mickey" Corcoran, who signed Saturday as manager of the Quebec team.

Prouse has been informed by Paige that there is a possibility that Rabbitt Maranville, one of the great

est shortstops in the country, now of the Pittsburg team or Hummell, formerly second baseman of the Brooklyn National League team, might be secured as local manager. "Art" Hoffman, formerly of the Philadelphia American League team and "Larry" Doyle formerly captain of the New York Giants, are also suggested for the post.

President Prouse has signed Dolph Swynor of Rochester. Swynor is 20 years of age and wishes a tryout with the Rutland team. He will report here May 1, the date on which all players are scheduled to arrive in Rutland for a two weeks' tryout at their own expense. This is in accordance with the rules of organized baseball. Swynor twirled good baseball last year and he may develop into a valuable asset to the local club.

PROUSE TO TELL BASEBALL PLAN

Rutland Baseball Association directors and fans will assemble at Apollo Hall tonight at 8 o'clock when President Arthur A. Prouse of the Rutland team will unfold the baseball plans for the coming season.

The Rutland Association is to be incorporated with capital stock of \$6000. Prouse has already made plans for bettering baseball diamond and park at St. Peter's Field.

It is planned to have a fence built around left and center

fields. Also Prouse expects to build a 40-foot addition to the present grandstand and bleachers near first base. There will be a place for parking automobiles on the north side of River Street across from the Park.

Prouse is expected to return from Boston this afternoon and probably will announce the manager of the Rutland team and possibly the names of five or six members of the local nine.

The Rutland News
April 16, 1924

BASEBALL BUBBLE BURSTS

**Complications in Montpelier.
Make Prouse's Well Devel-
oped Plans Go for Naught.**

Summer baseball for Rutland, for which elaborate plans have been made, is over, President Arthur A. Prouse of the Rutland Association stated, today that the withdrawal of the Montpelier-Barre team meant the end of the recently organized Vermont-Canada League. Prouse said it would be absolutely foolish to continue negotiations for any other Vermont city to have a team and that his hard work and plans for summer baseball this year had gone for nothing.

A. W. Daly, manager of the Montpelier team, who was loaned \$2,000 by the Canadian baseball magnates to promote the proposition in Montpelier, was unable to make connections for a baseball park as the Barre directors favor the independent baseball.

Plans Outlined Last Night.

At the baseball meeting held last night Prouse and Harold I. O'Brien outlined the plans of the association. There was to be a stock issue of \$6000, divided into 600 shares, each with a par value of \$10. Prouse had underwritten the entire amount of stock but was to keep one fourth of

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the stock and disposed of the rest to Rutland County fans.

Large Outside Demand.

There was apparently more of a demand for the stock from fans outside of Rutland than there was in the city judging by the attendance at last night's meeting and the calls for stock.

Prouse says that his venture into the organized baseball was purely a business proposition. He believes it to be a good investment.

Had Signed Two Big Leagues.

He returned yesterday from Boston and he told the fans that he had signed Pitcher Dorian of Harrisburg, Pa., and Catcher Gleason of Haverhill, Mass., who went south with the Boston Braves.

No Manager Wound.

He did not sign a manager. He had received a number of applications but had not located just the man he wanted. That there is money to be made in organized ball is evident by the fact that when big leaguers are approached on the managerial question it is not the salary that interests them it is to get a good percentage of the purchase price received for players sold to other league clubs.

Rutland had planned to transform St. Peter's Field into a modern baseball park and it was expected that a contract would be arranged tomorrow for the building of an addition to the grandstand and some bleachers.

Prouse says that he will assist another year in the forming of an organized league but he believes the work and plans should all be completed during the winter months.

The Rutland News
April 19, 1924

PROUSE GOES TO MONTREAL

**Rutland Supporters Must Raise
\$3000 More If They Are to
See Baseball.**

President Arthur A. Prouse left this morning for Montreal to confer with directors of the Vermont-Canada Baseball League. If Rutland fans subscribe approximate one half or \$3000, of the stock of the Rutland association there will be baseball in Rutland this season. If they don't it is doubtful whether Rutland will be able to join the league. The association has a capital stock of \$6,000 and half of it has been subscribed.

William McCorry, formerly of the Detroit American League team, and manager of the Pittsfield, Mass., club of the Eastern Association last year, will arrive in Rutland Monday to conferred with local management. McCorry comes highly recommended as a baseball manager and is said to have good connections with two or three major league teams. He seeks the position as manager of the local team.

The Rutland News
April 23, 1924

WILL IMPROVE BASEBALL PARK

Prouse Lets Contract for Addition to Grand Stand and Bleachers.

President Arthur A. Prouse of the Rutland Baseball Association has awarded the contract to build the addition to the Grand Stand and bleachers at the St. Peter's Field.

Work will be started tomorrow morning.

Manager William McCorry of the Rutland team is on a trip through Massachusetts and Connecticut scouting for baseball material and he is expected to have about 25 baseball players report here May 1.

In organized baseball a player must practice or try out for two weeks at his own expense.

There is a possibility that Rutland will meet the St. Louis American League baseball team here in an exhibition game during the month of May.

President Prouse said this morning he was meeting with success in disposing of the stock of the local association and it looked liked a good baseball season for Rutland.

The Rutland News
April 25, 1924

M'CORRY SIGNS THREE PLAYERS

**Prouse Had Already Signed
Equal Number — Must
Get Fifteen.**

President Arthur A. Prouse of the Rutland Baseball Association has received word from Manager William McCorry that he had signed Pitcher Carrigan and Infielder Goldsmith of the Waterbury, Conn., Eastern League team, and Catcher Greenberg of the Hartford, Conn., Eastern League club.

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Manager McCorry is in Springfield, Mass., today hoping to secure three or four infielders.

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The Rutland News
May 14, 1924

RUTLAND PLAYERS OFF FOR MONTREAL

Opening Game Will Be Played There Tomorrow in Quebec, Ontario, Vermont League—McCorry Takes 15 Men With Him—First Game Here May 18th.

The Rutland baseball team, member of the Quebec, Ontario and Vermont League, led by President Arthur Prouse and Manager Bill McCorry, left this afternoon on the flyer for Montreal where tomorrow it will open the official league season. Tomorrow's game will mark the first time in Rutland's baseball annals that a team has represented the city under an organized league franchise. Not only that but it is organized ball's first venture anywhere in Vermont.

Even before the opening of the season the stock of the association has been sold and all but a very small amount actually paid. It is the ambition of the officers to cut down some of the larger stockholders and distribute some of their shares among a larger number of individual share holders.

Stock Widely Distributed .

Although attempts have been made by several individuals to secure as high as 51 per cent of the capital stock, the officials have limited the sale to 8 per cent to the largest stockholder. In this way it is hoped to have a larger number of people interested in the affairs of the association.

Manager McCorry has taken with

him 15 players in addition to himself. They are: Catchers, Greenberg and Gleason; Infielders Curtis, Tapson, McGregor, Gallagner and Cyran; Outfielders McHugh, Fraser and Beaudoin; Pitchers Carrigan, Auer, Alexander and Saunders.

The team will put up at the Queen's Hotel, Montreal, where it will remain until Saturday night. While in Montreal three games will be played. The opening game will be played Thursday and single games will be played Friday and Saturday.

Games Here Begin 18th.

Returning to Rutland the schedule calls for a three game series with Montreal on the local field. The first game of the series will be played Sunday, the 18th, and games will follow in order on May 19 and 20.

Before leaving for Montreal Manager McCorry had his squad out on the field for a practice session. A recruit outfielder named Menegus, who came here from New Jersey on recommendation of a local fan, was given a try-out. Rutland's outfield looks strong and it will probably be difficult for the newcomer to break

The Rutland News
May 12, 1924

RUTLAND TRIMS QUEBEC, 6 TO 5

McCorry, Manager of Locals, Drives Out Home Run Over Right Field Fence.

Eleven hundred persons saw Rutland defeat Quebec, 6 to 5, in an exhibition baseball game at St. Peter's field yesterday afternoon. The day was too cold for the fans to get a glimpse of top notch baseball. Nevertheless, some of the youngsters on the local club looked pretty good.

Manager "Bill" McCorry of the local team was on first base and directed the play of the local team. McCorry was manager of the Bennington team last year and he is said to have been a pretty good ball player and capable of pitching a good game. McCorry made the feature hit of the afternoon, driving a home run over the right field fence.

Rutland Has Good Material.

Among the youngsters of the local club that looked good were Curtis, local second baseman, "Tony" Cyron, the third baseman, Fraser, outfielder and Tapson shortstop. These boys appear to be full of pep and in midseason form.

McCorry tried out three pitchers Carrigan, Auer and Alexander and all three worked fairly well. Auer seemed to have an abundance of speed.

Quebec appeared about in the same class with Rutland, Manager Mickey Corcoran having some youngsters who look as though they will develop into a first class nine.

The Rutland News
May 9, 1924

BARBER SHOP CLOSED IN MORTGAGE ACTION

The barbershop conducted for some time by Anthony Practico in the Holland Hotel block on Merchants Row has been closed by Sheriff Henry R. Adams. The closing is the result of a foreclosure of a \$1300 mortgage held by D. Gugleimi of this city. Attorney George M. Goddard appears for the plaintiff.

The Rutland News
May 17, 1924

BASEBALL

OFFICIAL OPENING of HOME SEASON

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MONTREAL

Sunday, May 18

3 P. M.

GAMES

**Monday and Wednesday
at 4.15 P. M.**

The Rutland News
May 17, 1924

RUTLAND TO PLAY FIRST HOME GAME

**Will Cross Bats With Montreal Royals Tomorrow Afternoon—
Several New Players Will Be Seen in Rutland Uniforms—
Record Attendance Is Expected—Boys to Be
Admitted Free.**

Tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock on St. Peter's Field the Rutland baseball fans will have an opportunity of welcoming back to Rutland, "Bill" McCorry's stalwarts, the same team which administered a 16 to 1 defeat to the Montreal Royals in the opening contest of the Quebec, Ontario, Vermont Baseball League yesterday afternoon at Montreal.

Manager McCorry will have some new faces to exhibit. McDermott, a pitcher, who comes here from the New Haven, Conn., club of the Eastern League, will have his first work-out. McWilliams, who in six games with the Springfield, Mass., Club of the Eastern League had a percentage of 1,000, will also be looked over by Manager McCorry. "Art" Johnson, the same pitcher who used to make week-end trips to Montpelier when the Gold Fish wanted to put over a much desired win, will also be found tomorrow afternoon in a Rutland uniform.

Father and Son on Same Team.

The Montreal Club represents somewhat a father and son affair. Manager "Paddy" O'Rourke and his son, "Tom," are two of the shining lights of the Royals. In a game against the Brooklyn Giants, the same team which last year won 42 out of 50 game played, O'Rourke and his son each knocked out home runs and otherwise conducted themselves in championship fashion.

President A. A. Prouse of the Rutland Baseball Association does not believe in excluding boys from the baseball games and is making provision for taking care of them during the league season. A contractor has already made a survey of the territory beyond centerfield and a

set of bleachers will be erected for the specific purpose of taking care of the Rutland's embryo baseball fans. No admission will be charged to boys in short pants.

Concessions Let.

The Howe Ice Cream Company has been awarded the ice cream concession and has sublet the retail end to Carl W. Olney.

Ducharme Brothers have the soft drink concession. The pop corn, peanut, cigar and cigarette concessions have not been leased. Booths for the several vendors have been erected in the space between the Grand Stand and bleachers. New exits have been provided at advantageous points in the park in order that the crowd may leave the field more quickly than has been the custom in the past. Ample parking space has been provided by opening the large field directly opposite the St. Peter's Field. It is large enough to accommodate a great many automobiles.

Probable Lineup.

The probable lineup for tomorrow's game is:

RUTLAND	MONREAL
Carrigan, p	p, Shanklin
Alexander, p	c, Peeler
Auer, p	1b, P. O'Rourke
Towle, p	2b, Zillenziger
McDermott, p	ss, T. O'Rourke
McWilliams, p	3b, Dykes
Johnson, p	lf, Graves
Gleason, c	cg, Hunnifield
Breenberg, rf	rf, C. Curtis
McCorry, 1b	
J. Curtis, 2b.	
Tapson, ss	
Cyran, 3b.	
Beaudoin, lf.	
McHugh, cf.	
Fraser, rf.	

RUTLAND TRIMS MONTREAL 7 TO 1

**Locals Play Good Game Before Big Crowd of Baseball Fans—
Montreal Is Outclassed at All Stages of Contest—
Cyran Stars at Bat and in Field.**

Rutland defeated the Montreal Royals, 7 to 1, yesterday afternoon before about 2000 persons in the first home game of the Quebec, Ontario, Vermont League which started its season Thursday. The win puts the local team in first position and from the brand of baseball seen yesterday it will take a pretty good aggregation to deprive Rutland of these honors.

The Rutland team looked good and was easily the better of the two nines in practically every stage of the game. Despite the fact that Rutland made only five safe hits there were many long drives that would have been bingos if they had not been speared by exceptionally good catches.

Saunders Twirls for Rutland.

Saunders, a member of last year's Hartford, Conn. Eastern League club's pitching staff, was on the rubber and he was the series. He had a change of pace that puzzled the Montreal batters.

McAfee started to pitch for the Royals and he did fairly well, but his control was clear off and his inability to put the ball over the base proved costly.

Herb took his place in the fourth inning and he did fairly well, but the Rutland team hit hard in the pinches, which coupled with a costly error, put the contest on ice.

Owing to a thunder and rain storm the game was called at the close of the first half of the seventh inning.

Cyran Star of Game.

The star of the Rutland team was "Tony" Cyran, third baseman who came to Rutland from the Bridgeport, Conn., club of the Eastern League. He is fast, handles the ball well and is a good hitter.

Manager "Bill" McCorry pulled down a neat line drive in the first inning and he played a good game around first base. McHugh in centerfield also made a nice catch of a line drive to the center garden.

Cyran is no stranger in Rutland, having played basketball here at the Armory against the local Legion team.

The outstanding player for the Montreal team was J. O'Rourke, the shortstop, who made a double and two singles out of three trips to the plate. He is the son of "Paddy" O'Rourke, the manager, who plays first base. The detailed score of the game is as follows:

The score by innings:

	R.	H.	E.
Rutland	1	0	4
Montreal	0	0	0

Batteries, Rutland, Saunders, Greenberg; Montreal, McHaffey, Herb and Peeler.

Summary: Earned runs, Rutland 4, Montreal 1; three base hits, Cyran; two base hits, J. O'Rourke, Peeler and Beaudoin; bases on balls, off Saunders 4, MaHaffey, 5, Herb, 2; struck out by Saunders, 2, MaHaffey, 5, Herb, 1; hit by pitched ball, McHugh, J. O'Rourke; left on bases, Rutland, 8, Montreal, 6; time of game, one hour, 50 minutes. Umpires, Major at plate, Shepard on bases; attendance, 2000.

The Rutland News

May 20, 1924

RUTLAND AGAIN TRIMS ROYALS

**Takes Second Game of Three
Game Home Series, 12 to 2;
Outplays Visitors.**

The Rutland baseball team defeated the Montreal Royals, 12 to 2, yesterday afternoon at St. Peter's Field. The contest was played in exceptionally cold weather and the attendance, due to this fact, was less than 200.

Rutland outplayed the Royals at all stages of the game and won the game by making hits at opportune times and also by taking advantage of misplays by the visiting team.

McWilliams, a big right hand pitcher, secured by the Rutland team from the Springfield, Mass., club of the Eastern league, was on the rubber for Rutland. Outside of the first inning, when he was a trifle wild, he pitched gilt edge baseball, holding Montreal to three scattered hits.

The Rutland left fielder made some nice catches in the outfield as did McHugh in centerfield.

Shanklin started to pitch for Montreal and the big left hander secured from the Toledo, Ohio, club of the American Association did well until the fifth inning when he was hit hard. He was replaced by Naylor, who was also hit hard.

Beaudoin, Tapson, Greenberg and McHugh played and hit well for the locals. Zillinger of the Montreal team hit a home run to the left field tennis courts which was one of the longest drives made at the field this season. The score by innings:

R. H. E.

Rutland 0 0 0 0 3 4 3 2 x—12 16 2
Mont .. 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0— 2 3 5

Batteries, Rutland, McWilliams and Greenberg; Montreal, Shanklin, Naylor and Deplisses.

The Rutland News

May 15, 1924

FILES ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

Rutland County Athletic Association Has Capital Stock Issue of \$6000.

The Rutland County Athletic Association has filed articles of Association with the Secretary of State. The capital stock of the association is \$6000, divided into 600 shares of a par value of \$10 each. Practically all of the stock has been subscribed.

The Rutland County Athletic Association is promoting the Rutland League baseball team and expects to engage in other sports. It is planned, if possible, to stage one or two big college football games here this fall and probably to back a professional basketball team.

The Association has already expended about \$3500 for the Rutland baseball team. This expense including the erection of an extra grand stand and two bleachers at St. Peter's Field. It is planned to erect bleachers in centerfield, and to build two dugouts for the baseball players in front of the grand stand.

The Rutland News

May 20, 1924

BASEBALL STOCKHOLDERS TO ORGANIZE TONIGHT

The stockholders of the Rutland Baseball Association will meet this evening at 8 o'clock in Apollo Hall for the purpose of forming a permanent organization. Following today's game the Rutland team will remain idle until Friday. The team will leave Thursday evening in a special Pullman car for Ottawa, Can., and it will not return here until Decoration Day when it will play in the afternoon. The Rutland team will play six days in succession on its home grounds.

The Rutland News
May 31, 1924

RUTLAND DROPS THREE PLAYERS

Manager McCorry and Catchers Gleason and Greenburg Are Released Today—New Manager Will Be Signed in Few Days—Kiltie, New Backstop, Joins Local Team.

President Arthur A. Prouse of the Rutland Baseball Association announced this morning that he had released Manager William McCorry and Catchers Gleason and Greenberg of the Rutland team. President Prouse was acting manager in the games this afternoon with the Quebec Team.

The management of the local team gave out no reason for the release of the players other

than that he had decided that McCorry was not the man he wanted to pilot the local ball club. It is expected that a new manager will be signed by the Rutland Baseball Association within the next few days.

A catcher by the name of Kiltie arrived in Rutland this morning and was scheduled to catch this afternoon. Prouse said that he expects to have Keating, one of the Quebec catchers, join the local club.

The Rutland News
May 21, 1924

PROUSE HEADS RUTLAND ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Arthur A. Prouse was elected president of the Rutland County Athletic Association last evening in Apollo Hall at the first meeting of the stockholders.

The other officers are: Vice president, Thomas Ray, Brandon; secretary, Harold I. O'Brien, Rutland; treasurer, Charles H. Harrison; directors, Louis Ricci, E. Per Lee Smith, George T. Moroney, George Lassar, Judge Leonard F. Wing, Albert S. Reed of this city, Thomas Ross, West Rutland, Thomas Mahar, Fair Haven, and Dan D. Burditt of Pittsford; auditors, John Dernier, West Rutland, Will L. Davis and George Bush, of this city.

Mr. Prouse was made business manager of the association.

The Rutland News
May 21, 1924

RUTLAND AGAIN TRIMS ROYALS

Wins 10 Inning Game, 5 to 4; Johnson, for Locals, Allows Three Scattered Hits.

The Rutland baseball team defeated the Montreal Royals, 5 to 4, in a 10-inning game yesterday afternoon at St. Peters Field. The game was close and interesting despite the fact that most of the runs scored by the visiting team were made on misplays of Rutland players.

"Art" Johnson, a left-hand pitcher, secured by the Rutland team from the Albany, N. Y., club of the Eastern league, was on the rubber for Rutland and he twirled a good game. He allowed the Montreal team but three scattered hits. Three of their runs were scored on infield errors of the Rutland team.

Montreal's Game Improves.

The Montreal team played a much better game than in either of the other two contests seen here but the team seems to lack consistent hitters. Herb twirled for Montreal and he did fairly well.

Beaudoin, McHugh, McCorry and Fraser played and hit well for the local team, while Dykes and Manager "Paddy" O'Rourke did good work for Montreal. The score by innings:

	R.	H.	E.
Rut'd.	2	0	0
Mont.	1	0	0

Batteries, Rutland, Johnson and Greenberg; Montreal Royaus, Herb and Peeler.

The Rutland News

June 7, 1924

RUTLAND'S FIRST AUTO OWNERS

**Horsepowers of First Cars In
This Vicinity Don't Compare
With Those of Today.**

Charles A. Matthews, manager of the Rutland Machine & Auto Company Inc., has in his possession a complete list of the first automobile owners in the State who were also the first required by law to register their machines with the Secretary of State. That was in 1905.

Rutland automobile owners at that time and their cars were:—

Brown & Garrett, Locomobile Co., 4 1-2 H. P.; Raymond F. Russell, Mobile Co., 4-5 H. P.; Albert Colombe, Stanley Motor Co., 5 H. P.; Sumner-Childs, Auto Car Co., 10 H. P.; P. W. Clement, Apperson Bros., 40 H. P.; John H. Frenier, The Auto Car Co., 10 H. P.; Erwin White, Waltham Mfg Co., 3 1-2 H. P.; Edward F. Hassey, Thomas B. Jeffrey & Co., 16 H. P.; John N. Woodfin, Northern Mfg. Co., 16 H. P.; Martin L. Gleason, Thomas B. Jeffrey & Co., 18 H. P.; S. M. Willson, Stanley M. C. Co., 10 H. P.; F. R. Patch, R. W. Goodrich, T. A. Reardon, George S. Haley, A. C. H. Bachand; Harry L. Willard, Home-made, 6 1-2 H. P.; Charles T. Brown, B. V. Covert & Co., 5-6 H. P.; Edward J. Slade, Home-made; 10 H. P.; Charles D. Andrews, Locomobile, 4 1-2 H. P.; Timothy A. Reardon, Locomobile & H. P.; Harold W. Ross, Center Rutland, Winton, 20 H. P.; J. H. Eltapence, Grout Bros., 8 H. P.; Wayne S. Clark, Crest, 8 H. P.; Charles A. Matthews, Pope, 6 H. P. W. W. Nichols, Grout Bros., 10 H. P.; E. E. Keyes, White Sewing Machine, 10 H. P.; H. W. Ross, B. V. Covert, 9 H. P.; G. T. Chaffee, White Sewing Machine, 10 H. P.; N. K. Chaffee, Stanley, 10 H. P.; Raymond F. Russell, Mobile, 4-5 H. P.

The Rutland News

June 3, 1924

FIRE CLAY WILL ADD TO PLANT

**Rutland Concern Is Erecting
\$50,000 Building on Its
Curtis Ave. Property.**

The Rutland Fire Clay Company has started work on a building 120 feet long, 50 feet wide and two stories high, to adjoin the southern end of their present structure on Curtis Avenue. The building is to be built of cement and the cost is estimated at about \$50,000.

This is the third expansion of this industry within the past two years, in which time a large factory building and a new office building have been erected.

The new factory will be used for manufacturing purposes and it is expected that it will be finished in the fall.

The Rutland News

May 31, 1924

RUTLAND LOSES TO QUEBEC, 9-2

**Locals Drop First Home Game;
Visitors Put Up the Better
Brand of Baseball.**

Lose playing by the infield caused Rutland to be defeated yesterday afternoon, 9 to 2, by the Quebec team of the Quebec, Ontario, Vermont League. It was the first time the home team has lost on the local diamond.

Quebec was entitled to win. "Mickey" Corcoran's team played the better baseball. His team hit in the pinches and took advantage of the misplays of the local club, accounting for the majority of its scores.

Saunders Pitches for Rutland.

Saunders was on the rubber for the local team and he twirled a pretty fair game, and if his support had been better the score would have been closer.

LaPlant twirled for the Quebec team and he pitched a fine game. Rutland scored both runs in the first inning on a single and a long homerun to the tennis court by McHugh. In one or two other innings Rutland was on bases but LaPlant would tighten up and the locals were unable to push a score across the plate. McHugh and Fraser were the star players for the Rutland team.

Martin Star of Game.

Martin, the Quebec third baseman, was the star of the game, getting a single, a double and a homerun out of three trips to the plate. His homerun went clear to the rear of the centerfield bleachers. Martin is the player whom Corcoran, the Quebec manager, sold to the White Sox, before the season started, for \$2000, and that team allowed him to finish the season with Quebec. Henges also made a long homerun and Sherlock in left field made some brilliant catches.

The score by innings:—

	R. H. E.
Rutland ..	2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—2 8 5
Quebec ...	0 1 0 0 0 2 2 0 4—9 9 4

Batteries, Rutland, Saunders, McDermott, and Gleason; Quebec, LaPlant and Keating.

WILL CUT TROLLEY SERVICE

**Railway, Light & Power Co. to
Operate Cars Only as Far
As West Rutland.**

The Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company will operate no cars beyond West Rutland after tomorrow. Beginning Monday the company will operate cars between Rutland and West Rutland only. The cars will leave West Rutland from Causeway Street and Clarendon Avenue.

New Time Table.

The cars will leave Rutland as follows: 5.55 a. m., 6.25 a. m., 7.05 a. m.; 7.30 a. m., 8.30 a. m., 9.19 a. m., 10 a. m., 11.05 a. m., 12.10 p. m., 1.10 p. m., 2.45 p. m., 4.35 p. m., 6.10 p. m., 7.45 p. m., 9.10 p. m., 10.15 p. m.

The cars will leave West Rutland as follows: 6.25 a. m., 7.40 a. m., 8.10 a. m., 9.15 a. m., 9.45 a. m., 10.30 a. m., 11.35 a. m., 12.40 p. m., 1.40 p. m., 3.30 p. m., 5.10 p. m., 7 p. m., 8.30 p. m., 9.40 p. m., 10.50 p. m.

Slate Belt Line To Operate.

The Vermont Slate Belt Corporation which recently leased the trolley system between Fair Haven and Poultney will continue to operate trolley cars on a daily schedule between those towns.

WOULD GIVE UP TROLLEY SERVICE

**R. R., L. & P. Co. Asks Right to
Discontinue Cars From West
Rutland to Fair Haven.**

The Rutland Railway Light & Power Company has petitioned the Vermont Public Service Commission for permission to discontinue street-car service from West Rutland to Fair Haven on July 1. Papers are to be served today on the town clerks of Center Rutland, West Rutland, Castleton, Hydeville and Fair Haven. They are to be served also on the Rutland City Clerk, Attorney General Frank C. Archibald and State's Attorney Charles E. Novak. There will be a hearing on the petition July 10 before the commission in Rutland.

The Rutland Railway Light & Power company also seeks to have the commission release it from an order of the commission in February calling for it to expend about \$19,000 for streetwork in West Rutland, Rutland town and Rutland City.

The company's petition shows a tabulation of the operating revenue, expenses, taxes and income during the period commencing with the year 1906 and ending May 31, 1924, which shows a steady mounting operating expense against a decreasing revenue until this year there was a loss of \$388.17 for the first five months.

Attorneys Stickney, Sargent & Skeels, and Fenton, Wing & Morse appear for the Company.

WORK ⁶² IS BEGUN AT RIVERSIDE

**Institution for Women Prisoners
Will Be Remodelled and
Enlarged.**

Work has been started on the rebuilding of the Women's Reformatory in this city. Contractor Lavery and a crew of about 25 working men arrived here Monday and they are removing the cells and breaking ground for the erection of a laundry building. Although the plans have not been completed the work will mean an expenditure of about \$75,000.

At the last session of the Legislature it was voted to spend a sum not to exceed \$150,000 for an institution to care for women prisoners, thereby relieving the congestion at Windsor.

Commission Favored Rutland.

The commission, of which Gov. Redfield Proctor is chairman, held several meetings in Rutland, Windsor and Montpelier. It has been known from the start that the Commission was favorable to Rutland as the site for the reformatory.

The full commission is composed of Gov. Redfield Proctor, Commissioner of Public Welfare John E. Weeks, of Middlebury, Senators James Stacey of Hartford, Aldace W. Newton of Wallingford, Representatives Park H. Pollard of Cavendish, Allen W. Martin of Hartland, Asa J. Livingston of Richford, Wilder A. Simpson of Lyndon and Rev. Harvey F. Connor of Poultney.

35 Women in Reformatory.

There are about 35 women inmates at Riverside Reformatory, which is under the supervision of Miss Lena C. Ross. Riverside reformatory was for many years known as the House of Correction and men and women prisoners were confined there. The Legislature during the term of Governor Percival Clement voted to discontinue its use and some efforts were made to sell the property, but about three years ago the building was reopened and all women inmates of Windsor prison were brought here.

COUNCIL TO ACT ON BUS PETITION

**Finance Committee Will Probably Report Tonight on
Request of Police Department Members For
Increase In Salaries.**

The petition of the Ward Trucking Company to operate motor busses in the city if electric car service is discontinued will probably be acted upon at a meeting of the City Council tonight. This petition was placed before the Board of Aldermen at a special meeting last week and was tabled at that time.

The public service commission which first received the petition took no action. There is some question as regards the legality and jurisdiction of the commission in cases of this kind. When the Spooner Bus service presented a petition to the commission asking for

permission to operate busses from Rutland to Fair Haven, it was ruled that the commission had no authority to grant or refuse the request.

A similar question also arises over what action can be taken by the Board of Aldermen, if any. There is some doubt whether it is within the power of the board to grant or refuse petitions of this kind.

The city budget for 1925 will be presented at tonight's meeting of the City Council and the finance committee will probably report in regard to the petition of the police for an increase in salary.

The Rutland News
December 4, 1924

PLAN CITY LAW ON BUSSES

**City Attorney Kinney Is
Drawing Ordinance to
Provide Control.**

The city government plans to enact ordinances to govern motorbus operation within its limits.

City Attorney Clayton H. Kinney is devising the ordinance and he will submit it to the Mayor. Then it will be given to the Board of Aldermen. The new ordinance is prompted by the petition recently made to the board by A. F. Ward to operate busses around the route of the belt lines.

Representatives elected to the 1925 Vermont Legislature, soon after that body convenes, feel certain that some legislation will be enacted to govern the motor bus situation.

The Vermont Public Service Commission, in a recent ruling dismissed a petition for incorporation of a bus line as a public service corporation, claiming it had no authority to grant the petition. It is now believed that the new legislature will give the Public Service Commission all authority necessary for the control of the motor bus situation.

There are important essentials in the operating of a bus service, such as the filing of substantial liability bonds, and also the regulation of fares that can be charged.

The Rutland News
December 2, 1924

ALDERMEN REFER AUTOBUS PETITION

**Special Committee Will
Consider Application of
Ward Trucking Co.**

The principal business at last night's meeting of the Aldermen was the referring of the petition of A. F. Ward for permission to operate motor busses on the belt lines. After discussion, which included a talk by Marvelle C. Webber, who explained the petition the matter was left with a special committee composed of Mayor Dunn, City Attorney Kinney, and Alderman Cooper, Smith and Creed to investigate and report at an adjourned meeting Monday evening.

The meeting was attended by several persons apparently interested in the motor bus situation, but when President Daniel A. Bruten inquired if any of them desired to address the board on any subject they made no response.

Leonard F. Wing, representing the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company's request for permission to build a spur track on the south end of Cleveland Avenue.

C. B. Andrus asked permission to build a shed in the rear of Mac's Filling Station. The permit was referred to a special committee composed of Aldermen Spencer, Cheney and Trudel.

Paul Murray asked for a permit to install a gasoline pump at the curb in front of his parage, No. 5 Merchants Row and the request was referred to the gas committee.

WILL TAKE UP BUS ORDINANCE

ALDERMEN TO GET MEASURE TONIGHT

**It Is Practically Certain
That City Will Not Take
Steps to Prevent Discon-
tinuance of Street Car
Service Dec. 27.**

Discontinuance of street car service in Rutland is now regarded as certain in well informed quarters. The probability is that the last trolley car will run the evening of December 27 without any effort on the part of the city to force continuance. This was discussed at a meeting of aldermen, City Attorney Kinney and others Saturday afternoon.

Tonight the Board of Aldermen will consider a proposed ordinance which would empower the License Commission to grant licenses for operating motor buses on the streets of the city. This was discussed Saturday and met with the general approval of some aldermen.

The city cannot convey a monopoly, as the state may in the case of a railroad company. But, by utilizing the maximum of authority existing under the city charter, the License Commission can in effect control the situation to the extent of making reasonably certain that the city will be served by responsible persons whose privileges will be sufficiently near a monopoly to insure them reasonable compensation for maintaining adequate service.

So far as the line from Rutland to West Rutland is concerned the present negotiations are not designed in any way to affect the situation. The Town of West Rutland and the Town of Rutland have counsel in the case and may take action.

Governor Proctor likewise has employed Allen Sturtevant of Middlebury as special counsel to protect the interests of the state. Sturtevant may act, although there is no indication that he proposes yet to do anything.

The Rutland News
December 6, 1924

ANOTHER LARGE BUS PUT IN SERVICE HERE

In anticipation of the public demand for increased bus service as soon as the trolley service to West Rutland is discontinued, a local motor bus company has added to its equipment a new 25 passenger White Bus, making a total of four White Buses of the same capacity this company now has in operation.

After Dec. 27 one bus will be devoted exclusively to regular scheduled runs between Rutland and West Rutland, thus assuring the public of adequate transportation facilities between these two points. The other three buses will be used as now in runs from Rutland to Fair Haven and Proctor.

The Rutland News
December 31, 1924

LOCAL MEN CONSIDER BUYING STREET CAR TRACKS FOR JUNK

There was a rumor afloat yesterday that several local business men were negotiating for the purchase of the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company trolley lines and equipment. Officials of the company today said that three or four Rutland men had been investigating the lines relative to purchasing them for junk, not for operating purposes.

Company officials stated that within six months the entire trackage system and trolley cars will have been removed from the city. The company has practically completed the sale of the car barns on South Main Street to two local men who will use one building for an office and contractors' shop and the other for storage purposes.

The Rutland News
January 30, 1925

CLIFFORD & SON HAVE FIRE LOSS

**Flames Damage Interior of
Undertaking Parlor On
Evelyn Street.**

Fire, believed to have been caused by an overheated chimney about 7.30 o'clock this morning did considerable damage to John P. Clifford & Son undertaking establishment on Evelyn Street and also to the building owned by M. H. McLaughlin. The fire department strung a line of hose and extinguished the fire in the face of a strong wind.

The loss to the Clifford undertaking establishment includes several caskets and equipment and there was damage by smoke and water.

Both the building and the contents of the Clifford store were covered by insurance.

At the time the firemen were at the Clifford Undertaking Rooms the fire truck was called to the residence of George Donahue of Washington Street where there was a fire, believed to have been caused by a defect in a fireplace. The loss was slight.

The Rutland News
January 31, 1925

J. P. CLIFFORD & SON OPEN NEW QUARTERS

J. P. Clifford & Son, undertakers, whose quarters in the McLaughlin block on Evelyn Street were damaged by fire yesterday morning, have opened temporary quarters in the Berwick block on Wales Street. New furnishings and undertaking equipment arrived today to replace the equipment destroyed by smoke and water.

J. P. & GEO. M. CLIFFORD
33 Wales Street.
Funeral Directors and Embalmers.
Phones: 302-W, 855-M, 239-M. Day
or Night. Established 50 Years.

CAR BARN BOUGHT BY RUTLAND MEN

R. L. Richmond and F. H.
Remington Purchase S.
Main St. Property.

A deed has been filed at the city clerk's office showing the sale of the car barn and property on South Main Street, owned by the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company, to R. L. Richmond and F. H. Remington of this city. The transaction involves several thousand dollars.

The property is one of the valuable sites in the city for manufacturing purposes, having a large frontage on a railroad siding. It is understood that part of the new building will be occupied by Mr. Remington, who is a contractor, and other parts of the building will be used for storage purposes.

The Rutland News
February 14, 1925

SNELL TO BOOST CHAMPLAIN BRIDGE

New York Congressman for
Span Between Vermont
and Empire State.

Washington, Feb. 14.—A boom for summer resort keepers through northern New England is possible as a result of the intention of Congressman Snell of New York, chairman of the House rules committee, to introduce a bill to grant the consent of Congress for the construction of a bridge across Lake Champlain.

This is a matter which has been under consideration for a long time. The Vermont legislature has a bill before it now dealing with the project. The cost of the project would be borne by the state of Vermont and New York.

It is understood that the site that may now be agreed upon is one at the southern end of the lake, where it is only a half a mile wide. Automobilists from the Adirondacks and other parts of New York on passing into Vermont now have to depend on ferries.

The Rutland News
February 11, 1925

METHODISTS PURCHASE SITE FOR NEW CHURCH

The Methodist Church has bought of Mrs. Bessie Coates Kinsman of this city and W. H. Tindale of Keeseville, N. Y., property on the north side of Williams Street for the erection of a church to replace the one destroyed by fire several weeks ago. The committee to whose judgment the choice of a site was entrusted consisted of George C. Thrall, J. G. Menut, F. R. Stevens, Dr. S. W. Hammond, Dr. George K. Statham and Rev. Dr. George E. Price.

The Rutland News
February 27, 1925

ASK BILLINGS TO O.K. GIRLS' HOME HERE

If Institution Is Opened, State Will Be Asked to Pay
Rent But Not to Purchase Property; Would
Relieve Brandon Congestion.

The next 10 days will decide whether Rutland will have a home center for girls, according to Miss Lena C. Ross, matron at the Riverside Reformatory, who is backing the movement. Before action can be taken, the project must be approved by the Governor, the Legislature, and the State Welfare Board.

The plan will be submitted soon to the appropriations committee. The state, according to the outline of the proposition, will not be called upon to purchase property. It will be asked, however, to appropriate funds sufficient to cover the rental of a house. A group of interested citizens will buy the property themselves, the interest on the money invested being assured by the rental paid by the state.

Weeks Favors Idea.

It is understood that the welfare organizations of the state and Judge John E. Weeks, commissioner of public welfare, look favorably upon

the idea.

Miss Ross said today that she has received several offers from Rutland property owners for the sale of houses for this purpose.

Within a few days, it is expected that a committee of women from the organizations of the city will be chosen to act as a board of directors for the home.

Need For Home.

The home should be established for several reasons, say those behind the movement. One is to relieve the congestion at the Home for Feeble Minded at Brandon, as the prospects of obtaining a new building for that institution from this session of the legislature are slight. Then, there are a number of girls at the institution who are termed "border-line" cases and who the welfare committee believes would be able to take their place in society if given opportunity. The girls would work out during the day, returning to the dormitory at night.

The Rutland News
July 21, 1923

TRINITY'S ORGAN PLAYS SUNDAY

**Installation of Best Organ in
Vermont Has Just Been
Completed.**

Dedication services will be held at Trinity Episcopal church tomorrow in observance of the installation of the new pipe organ which has just been completed in the church.

The organ, the finest in Vermont, has three key and pedal manuals, 35 stops, 17 couples, six combination pistons on the swell organ, four on the choir organ, and four on the pedal organ. The organ is equipped both with harp and chimes, the harp being the gift of P. W. Clement and the chimes of Mrs. O. J. Maigne.

The following program will take place at the special service tomorrow.

The Benediction

The Doxology.

Organ Solo, —

Largo

Handel

Offertoire

Boellmann

Communion Service

Merbecke

Offertory Solo,

Hymn of the Nuns

Lefebure-Weir

Solemn Te Deum

Candlyn

(Page 7 in the Prayer Book)

Recessional Hymn 464

Postlude,

Improvisation on Recessional Hymn.

The Rutland News
May 1, 1923

TRINITY'S NEW ORGAN ARRIVES

**Pipe Instrument Worth \$15,-
000 Will Be Installed At
Once; Finest In State.**

The new \$15,000 pipe organ purchased by Trinity church arrived this week and the work of installing it will begin within a few days.

The new organ, said to be the finest in the state, is made by the Skinner company and is of the modern three manual type, with electric action. It is a divided organ, to be erected in halves on each side of the chancel and played from one keyboard.

Rev. Morgan Ashley, pastor of Trinity church, does not know how long it will take to install the organ, but plans are being made for an elaborate musical event on the date of the dedication of the instrument.

The old pipe organ, installed 55 years ago, is being taken down this week under the direction of P. H. Pehmer.

Trinity parish has raised \$12,000 toward the purchase price of the new organ.

The Rutland News
July 25, 1923

TO HAVE ORGAN RECITAL HERE

**Willis Alling to Play At Trin-
ity Church Friday
Evening.**

Willis Alling, organist at the Jewish Synagogue, New York City, will give an organ recital at Trinity Church here Friday evening, July 27, at 8 o'clock on the new pipe organ recently installed in the church and which was dedicated last Sunday morning.

Mr. Alling, who is a cousin of Miss Elizabeth Clement of this city, has a wide reputation as an organist of unusual ability.

Mr. Alling's program will include the following numbers:

Prelude to Parsifal, Dream, Song to the Evening Star; Wagner.

On the Coast, Buck.

Andante (from 6th Symphony) Tschaiakowski.

Priere, Guilmant.

Tone Poem "In Summer," Stebbins.

Marche Funebre et Chant Sera- phique, Guilmant.

Evensong, Johnstone.

Chant Negre, Kramer.

A Song "Mammy" (from Magnolia Suite) Dett.

Coronation March, Svendsen.

The Rutland News
July 20, 1923

"Nick" Flory Shaves—Well, Read This One

When "Nick" Flory, Bardwell barber shop proprietor, looked closely at the features of the man he was shaving late yesterday afternoon he thought he saw something familiar in the features. Because of the growing suspicion that his client was the distinguished person he suspected Nick handed out the best he has in shaves and as he removed the last towel he asked:

"Haven't I the honor to be shaving the Vice President of the United States?"

"If that's what you call it, you have," replied Calvin Coolidge.

The Vice President and Mrs. Coolidge have been visiting the former's father in Plymouth and last evening dined with ex-Governor Clement.

The Rutland News
July 24, 1923

CITY STUDYING PINE HILL PROJECT

Engineers from the Public Works Department are making a survey of the Pierpoint tract of 200 acres on Pine Hill given to the City about three years ago by former Mayor Henry O. Carpenter to be used as a park.

The aldermen last year appropriated \$2000 to beautify the place and the City may change at least part of the site into a park late this year or early next year.

On the site are pine trees, maples, cedars and poplars. Near to the park are Muddy and Rocky ponds which would provide fishing and skating.

At the northeast end of the tract the City has a stone quarry in operation from which thousands of tons of stone at a value of several thousand dollars have been quarried. All of the stone used by the city in its permanent road building comes from the quarry.

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THE JOKE IS ON-----WHO?

President Bill Shangraw, just prior to the annual dinner of the Rutland Exchange Club, received a telegram the partial text of which is now made public for the first time. Regarding instructions for the dinner the telegram ended " * * * in formal dress."

The formality of the occasion came as a complete surprise and several members, it is reliably reported paid clothiers here \$1 a night after a mad scramble to get hands on all rentable duke suits in the village.

Finally every member showed

up with some sort of a dress suit on: either from Brother Wilson's larder, or one belonging to grandfather, or in some instances, one's own.

It was the hottest night of the year and the dining room was stuffy—exceedingly stuffy. Finally the celebrity arrived—in knickers.

He surveyed his assembled hosts, their wilted collars, finger-marked shirt fronts and scowling countenances.

Then he told them the actual text of the message as he dictated it. It was:

" * * * INFORMAL DRESS."

40 PUPILS USE NEW SCHOOL HUT

School Board Engages New Teacher for the Lincoln Building.

At the meeting of the Board of School Commissioners, last night it was announced that the new portable hut at the high school is being used by about 40 pupils. The hut, which is practically completed, has cost \$929.11, and it is estimated that about \$35 more will be expended to complete the building.

The building was erected under the direction of the School Board and Superintendent of Schools W. W. Fairchild.

The lowest figure submitted for portable huts by firms from outside the City was about \$2500. Supt. Fairchild estimated beforehand that the City could put up the building for about \$970.

Enrollment of Pupils.

The board learned last night that the present enrollment of the City schools is 2097 pupils, as follows: High School, 598; sub-High School, 24; ungraded, 15; Longfellow, 295; Lincoln, 352; Dana, 259; Park, 157; Madison, 122; Kingsley, 144; Watkins, 131.

The board voted to engage Miss Audrey L. Farnsworth of Essex Junction as a teacher in the third and fourth grades at the Lincoln Building at a salary of \$1000 per year. The new teacher at that building is made necessary by the increased population in that section of the city resulting in a larger attendance at the school.

The board empowered the building committee to repair the boilers in the High School building and also to repair the electric clock.

NELSON PROPERTY LEASED TO MIKOS

Deal Calls For Ten Year Rental of \$41,000; Cost of Building \$11,000.

W. F. Nelson of Concord, N. H., has leased the property at 12 and 15 Merchants Row to W. G. Mikos of this city for 10 years at a total rental of \$41,000, according to papers filed yesterday at the City Clerk's office. It is one of the largest real estate transactions that has taken place in the business district for many years. The lease started August 1, 1924, and will expire August 1, 1934.

The new lessee, Mr. Mikos, will expend about \$20,000 in improvements on the store which is to be made into an ice cream parlor, fruit and confectionary store. It is expected that it will be ready for occupancy in about three weeks.

Bought Building for \$11,000.

Some idea of the advance in property can be obtained from the fact that Mr. Nelson purchased the property about 25 years ago for about \$11,000 which at that time was considered a good price for a real estate transaction.

The building is one of the old landmarks of the business district and was occupied for many years on the ground floor as a shoe store. When Mr. Nelson purchased the building he intended to erect a brick block for his five and 10 cent store, but later he moved to New Hampshire where he conducts a number of stores.

SUBMIT PLANS FOR NEW HIGH SCHOOL

Cost of Structure Would Be \$380,000; Aldermen to Pass On Report.

The question of a new high school for Rutland will probably be decided at the March election, providing the Board of Aldermen take favorable action on the report of the special committee which has been investigating the proposition. The report was submitted last evening at a special meeting of the Board of School Commissioners. It calls for the erection of a building to be located east of the present structure, an estimated cost of \$380,000.

Architect Explains Drawings.

R. E. Marsh, of Tooker & Marsh, New York architects, who has been assisting the committee, explained drawings of the proposed building. The building would provide adequate school facilities for the high school for the next 20 years, based on the growth of the school for the last 20 years, and it would include a gymnasium.

Under the plan, the present high school building would be used as a junior high school and the buildings would be connected so that the assembly hall of the present building could be used by the high school and the junior high school.

Committee Members Present.

Members of the special committee present were Chairman, Mayor James C. Dunn, Miss Ellen B. Cramton, Mrs. H. B. Puckeridge, Mrs. T. W. Moloney, Walter S. Fenton, John Harrison, Charles P. Cooper, Bert L. Stafford, Henry O. Carpenter, Howard L. Hindley, W. W. Fairchild, Dr. A. H. Bellerose. City Treasurer Will L. Davis was present at the meeting.

A special committee composed of Mayor Dunn, Miss Cramton, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Fenton and Mr. Harrison was named to prepare the report for the Board of Aldermen. If the Board of Aldermen acts favorably on the report an article will be inserted in the city warning calling for a bond issue to raise the funds.

BANK BUILDING OPEN TO PUBLIC

New Home of Marble Savings Bank Is Beautiful and Complete In Every Detail, With Every Convenience That Depositor Could Ask; Cost \$135,000, Which Does Not Include Vaults or Fixtures.

Hundreds yesterday visited the new Marble Savings Bank when the doors were thrown open to the public. The building is a beautiful structure of Danby marble and the interior is even more beautiful than the exterior.

As one enters the outside door, he encounters on the left a panel, which, when raised, discloses a ticket office, use of which is offered to the public free of charge for any enterprise which needs a downtown office for handling funds. On the other side the stairs lead down to lodge rooms, equipped with a kitchen. These rooms also are offered free for public meetings.

Lobby Is Elaborate.

Beautiful in the extreme is the lobby, designed on Italian lines. On the left is the office of the president and treasurer and farther on the tellers' cages with six windows. Back of these is the machine room, in which are segregated the mechanical appliances which are too noisy for the main office.

The coupon room is almost a bank in itself. There are five booths, beautifully equipped. It is impossible for anyone to lose anything in them. The doors are so arranged that after a person has left a booth, no one else can enter until the attendant has inspected the interior. This protects a person against his own carelessness, for many people leave valuables on the desks in coupon booths. In addition to the five small booths is a large room where trustees of estates, etc., may meet.

There is a luxurious woman's rest room, with dressing room, writing table and other conveniences.

Gallery Above Vaults.

Over the vaults is a gallery which probably will be used as a book room. The bank has use for many books to consult in making mortgages, etc. and these can be stored there. The gallery also adds to the attractiveness of the lobby.

Soon there will be installed on the floor of the lobby a check table, and, facing the large fireplace will be a lounge where those waiting to use the table can be seated. The cost of the bank building is \$135,000 but that does not include the vaults or the fixtures.

Vault Burglar-Proof.

The vault is of such construction as to procure the lowest possible rate from the burglary insurance companies and that means that it is considered to be impregnable. The walls are of steel crete, 27 inches in thickness. This is the best known substance to resist the acetylene torch, which is now the favorite tool of safe-crackers.

The door is 16 inches thick of fire resisting metal. It would take a torch several hours to burn through this. In addition to the materials in the door and walls there is a burglar alarm which consists of a mesh of copper wires. When the door is closed, all connect in such a manner as to register any disturbance. The alarm, if rung would be heard on the street and at police headquarters.

Three Vaults In All.

This vault will be used at present for currency, negotiable securities and safety boxes.

Because it costs so much to disturb a vault, a similar vault has been built in the cellar to take care of expansions business. The lower vault will be used for the storage of valuables of families who are out of town or who do not care to have them in their residences.

A third vault built merely to protect the books of the bank from fire, is also in use.

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November 15, 1924

Nichols & Barney Open New Store

**OLD CLOTHING FIRM BEGINS
BUSINESS IN NEW QUARTERS
ON CENTER STREET.**

Nichols & Barney's new clothing store, which has been under construction for the last several months, opened this morning for business. It is located in the Nichols & Barney block, 46 Center Street, and is one of the most modernly equipped clothing houses in Vermont.

The fixtures, which are very attractive, are of oak, and two large skylight windows make the store bright and pleasant. Large mirrors have been installed on all sides of the store and glass display cases and new fixtures enable the proprietors to carry a larger stock of goods in smaller space than would ordinarily be required.

Complete Shoe Department.

Modern alcove casings have also been installed to care for the large shoe department of the concern and handsome glass display cases show a new line to be handled by Nichols & Barney, including ladies' umbrellas, hosiery, handkerchiefs and scarfs.

The firm of Nichols & Barney is one of the oldest and best known clothing companies in Vermont, having been engaged in business for over 25 years at the corner of Merchants Row and Center Street in the Rutland Savings Bank block.

BUSSES TO FOLLOW BELT LINE ROUTES

They Will Replace Trolley Car Service Which Will Be Terminated Saturday Night—Operating Schedule Filed With Petition.

When the Rutland Railway Light & Power Company ceases operation of its trolley cars Saturday night, Rutland will promptly see the inauguration of a motor bus system around the North and South belt lines, according to a petition of A. F. Ward to the City License Board. Mr. Ward, who for several years has been engaged in the trucking business, plans to run busses on schedule.

How Busses Will Operate.

Under the terms of the petition, the first motor bus, with accommodations for 25 persons, will leave Merchants Row, in front of the Rutland Railroad Station, at 6 o'clock in the morning and make a trip around the North belt. The trip will require 20

minutes. At 6:20 o'clock in the morning the same bus will make a 20 minute trip around the South belt. This will make a trip around the belt lines every 40 minutes.

The last trip around the North belt will be made at 10:40 o'clock in the evening and at 11 o'clock in the evening around the South belt.

Will Omit Certain Trips.

In the morning between the hours of 9 and 11 o'clock two trips will be omitted around the South belt.

On Sundays the first trip will be made at 6:50 o'clock in the morning. Under the terms of the petition the fares for a trip around either belt line shall not exceed 10 cents and a book of tickets for trips may be had at a reduced rate.

The Rutland news
December 30, 1924

AKS PERMISSION TO OPERATE FOUR AUTOBUSSES ON WEST RUTLAND LINE

The Rutland Bus Company, Inc., through its attorney, Lawrence C. Jones, has petitioned the Board of License Commissioners, composed of President of the Board of Aldermen D. A. Bruten, City Clerk H. B. Whittier and Commissioner of Public Safety Fred C. Roberts for permission to operate four busses from Washington Street and Merchants Row to the Center Rutland town line. The route would be Merchants Row to State Street, State Street to Columbian Avenue, Columbian Avenue to West Street and West Street to the town line.

If granted a license the company will file an operating schedule of the arrival and departure of busses.

Since the trolley cars stopped operating between Rutland and West Rutland residents of the western section of the City have been greatly inconvenienced. Merchants in Rutland are in favor of the operation of busses along the main line.

It is probable that similar petitions will be made by the Rutland Bus Company to the town clerks of Center Rutland and West Rutland to allow busses to operate through the streets of the towns.

The Rutland News
December 29, 1924

Street Car Service Ends In Rutland

**Busses Replace Car System
In Operation For All of
Forty Years.**

Trolley cars in Rutland became a matter of history at 11:40 o'clock Saturday night when operation ceased on two belts covering about eight miles of track in this city. In taking off these cars permanently, the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company deprives Rutland of street car service after 40 years of continuous use of the vehicles, either horse-drawn or motor driven.

Inability to cope with automobiles is the reason for the abandonment of the line. On the principal streets the tracks will remain, the roadbed being later covered with cement to match the rest of the pavement.

The first trolley line in this vicinity connected Rutland with West Rutland and made a short circuit of the city itself.

Horses Furnish First Power.

From 1884 to the early nineties horses furnished the motive power. When the line was electrified out-of-town interests invested capital here and the service was extended to Poultney and intermediate points and a branch was built to Lake Bomoseen from Castleton. The Bomoseen line was junked during the war but not until last July did the company cease running the Fair Haven division, after conducting a losing fight against gasoline for years.

When at its height the trolley company had 75 men on its payroll. Its discontinuance last night throws only 20 out of work.

Old Conductor Rings Last Fare.

A touch of human interest was added to the last trip made by the trolleys last night when J. A. Hotchkiss who was conductor on the first trolley to run over the line, pulled the cord for the last fare. Police Officer Thomas C. Elworth, one of the passengers on the first trip made by the trolley as well as on the first horse car here, also rode around the belt last night.

Motorbusses began operation over the belts yesterday morning.

The Rutland News
October 10, 1924

HYDRO-ELECTRIC CO. BUYS SQUIRE PLANT

Purchases Property on Cleveland Avenue and Will Build Substation; May Use Present Building for Steam Auxiliary Plant.

The Vermont Hydro-Electric Corporation purchased the plant of J. P. Squire & Co. on Cleveland Avenue today and will utilize it for the better handling of business in Rutland and vicinity. The packing firm will occupy the building for several months, but the vacant lot in front will be used immediately by the electric company for the building of a modern outdoor sub-station.

Adjoins Corporations Property.

The Squire property adjoins that of the Vermont-Hydro Corporation and is situated near the Rutland railroad tracks. The lot is about 100 feet deep and between 216 and 233 feet long. On it is a brick building which has three floors, a barn and sheds. While no definite plans have been made yet as to what the building will be used for it may some time be used as a steam auxiliary plant.

The sub-station, which will be erected at once, will be used to take

the electricity which will enter it at a 44,000 voltage, and run it through transformers, after which it will be delivered over the circuits in this vicinity.

While the company at present has no steam plant, it is connected up with other companies so that power may be obtained in time of need. Some of the wires run as far as Providence, R. I., and much electricity is purchased in New Hampshire.

Third Move Is Expansion.

This is the third move made toward expansion in Vermont. The corporation on May 21 bought the Patch dam and power station for a consideration of about \$100,000 and later the property of the Jones & Lamson Power company in Perkinsville.

In the program of extension, the corporation has just turned on the power for Woodstock, and in all about 60 communities are served by the Rutland concern.

The Rutland News
October 23, 1924

Large Cavern In Clarendon Sought

A. G. Coolidge Finds Men- tion of Cave in Geog- raphy of 1818.

The Town of Clarendon has a large cave, its existence seemingly unknown to the public. Mention of the cave in a geography published in 1818 has been noted by A. G. Coolidge of Kingsley Avenue.

"Never having heard of this cave," said Mr. Coolidge today, "I assume that there may be others of your readers who have not. I am sure if there are such that they as well as I will appreciate any further information, as to the location, and so-forth."

Description of Cave.

The geography's reference to the cave follows:—

"In the Town of Clarendon on the side of a hill is a curious cave. The chasm, at its entrance, is about four feet in circumference. Entering this, you descend 104 feet and then opens a spacious room, 20 feet in breadth and 100 feet in length; the roof of this cavern is of rock, through which the water is continually percolating.

"The stalactites which hang from the roof appear like icicles on the eaves of houses and are continually increasing in number and magnitude. The bottom and sides of this subterranean hall are tables, chairs, etc., which appear to have been artificially carved.

"This richly ornamented room, when illuminated with the candles of the guides, has an enchanting effect upon the eye of the spectator.

"At the end of the cave is a circular hole 15 feet deep, apparently hewn out in a conical form, enlarging gradually as you descend, in form of a sugarloaf. At the bottom is a spring of fresh water in continual motion like the boiling of a pot. Its depth has never been sounded."

The Rutland News
August 13, 1924

DANA SCHOOL TO BE READY SOON

**Repairs to Building Damaged
by Fire Five Months Ago
Will Cost \$37,000.**

The remodelling of the Dana School will be finished within a few days and the school will be ready for occupancy September 2, the opening day of the 1924 school year, it was announced today at the office of Superintendent of Schools W. W. Fairchild.

The building was gutted by fire several months ago, resulting in its disuse for school purposes. Through cooperation of the City and the School Board the repairs to the building, which will cost about \$37,000, have been made without additional tax or bond issue.

Eight Rooms in Building.

There are eight school rooms in the building, each having accommodation for 42 pupils. There is also a sewing and cooking room.

All of the cooking equipment at the high school has been transferred to the Dana School and in the future all cooking classes will be held in the latter building.

Supt. Fairchild has arranged for all seventh and eighth grades to be located in the Longfellow building.

The Rutland News
July 14, 1924

BASEBALL LOSS SET AT \$10,000

**Prouse States That He Is Personally Out More Than Half of
This Amount and Reviews Causes Leading to
Abandonment of Long Schedule.**

Organized baseball in Rutland proved one of large financial loss, and breaks the record for any sporting venture ever attempted in Rutland according to a statement this morning of President Arthur A. Prouse of the Rutland County Athletic Association. Prouse sets the loss of the association at \$4800 and his own personal loss at \$5200, making a total loss of \$10,000, exclusive of the gate receipts.

President Prouse said that the reason he paid off the team last Friday evening was that he could see nothing before him but a loss of from \$150 to \$200 per day, if he continued.

All Debts Paid.

President Prouse says that the Rutland County Athletic Association will not owe a single cent, that he personally had raised \$2000 in the past week to pay up the salaries and indebtedness incurred by the association.

Prouse says there are still about 120 shares of stock with a value of \$1200 that have been subscribed but not paid for. The matter of collecting for this stock will be left to the Board of Directors of the Association which will hold a special meeting some day this week.

Prouse says that the greater part of the stock subscription money was used before the season started in the establishment of a baseball park at an estimated cost of \$3100, purchase

of uniforms, expenses of players here for tryouts, \$500 for the franchise, deposited with the Quebec, Ontario, Vermont League officials, and \$500 the Rutland Association paid for options on Carrigan, Curtis, Saunders, McDermott and Uteritz.

League Deposit Lost.

The deposit with the League officials is probably lost, but, there is a possibility that the \$500 paid for options may be returned to the Rutland Association.

The Rutland Association also have paid \$300 a month into the league treasury to defray the expenses of the organization. Prouse claims that when the Montreal Royals failed to play here on June 6, he notified President Joseph Paige of the League that Rutland claimed \$800 forfeit of the team.

He said that President Paige later wrote him to present his claim at a directors meeting and show why he arrived at the particular figure of \$800. Later, he said, he received another letter from President Paige stating that Paige had talked the matter over with President Gadboise of the Montreal Royals and Gadboise suggested that he give Rutland another game after the season without any expense to the Rutland team. Prouse said he was unable to agree to that proposition and has heard nothing further on the question.

The Rutland News
July 29, 1924

EXHIBITION HALL NEARLY FINISHED

**Rutland Fair This Year Will Have Plenty of Room for All
Attractions—New Building Is 228 Feet Long and
68 Feet Wide.**

The Rutland Fair Association expects to complete its new exhibition hall at the Fair Grounds in the next few days. The building, which will cost about \$25,000 is in the rear of the grand stand. It is 228 feet long 68 feet wide and is constructed of lumber, with a cement floor. It will contain four restaurants, running water, gas and modern equipment.

Another big building is the new horse barn, 150 feet long and 48 feet wide, with box stall accommodation for 30 horses. It is being erected near the other new horse barn in the

southeast part of the grounds. It is to have electric lights, running water and modern equipment.

Superintendent of Races Arthur W. Daley is to have a new office building near the horse barn.

There is also under construction a new 50 foot by 18 foot shed in the western part of the grounds.

The new exhibition hall will necessitates the changing of the Park Street entrance, which is to be moved 150 feet west, bringing it directly opposite the entrance to the grandstand.

The Rutland News
August 25, 1924

NEW HIGH SCHOOL PLANS TAKEN UP

COMMITTEE STUDYING DRAWINGS

Proposed Structure Would Front Main Street Park, Would Be Three Stories High, and Would Cost Not More Than \$500,000—It Would Be Connected With Present High School Building and Provision Would Be Made to Accommodate 1,200 Pupils—Present Assembly Hall and Heating Plant Would Be Retained.

Plans for a new high school building which will front on Main street and utilize Main street park as a setting, are being considered by the committee appointed to consider the project. It is estimated by members that the building can be erected at cost not to exceed \$500,000. The combined capacity of the new building with the old high school would be 1,200 pupils and in the light of experience this would take care of the city's high school needs for 20 years.

Building 200 By 66.

The plans call for the main part of the building to occupy 200 by 66 feet of ground space and the ell to be 144 by 40 feet. In addition to the ground floor there are two upper stories. The building is to be of brick and to be of a design which will be attractive, with Corinthian columns at the main entrance and perhaps a tower. The roof will be flat. In all there will be 35 rooms devoted to study and class work in addition to numerous other rooms.

On the ground floor are to be lo-

cated a lunch room and kitchen, home economics and manual training rooms, and a gymnasium large enough to use for basketball, with a locker room. The gymnasium will measure 70 by 80 feet.

On the first floor provision is made for class rooms, with the library, teachers' rooms and offices, and on the top floor are planned nine class rooms, a music room, a study hall and four rooms devoted to science including the laboratories and class rooms.

Would Connect Buildings.

Plans to connect the proposed new building with the old will work for economy in a number of directions. The same assembly hall can be used that now is in the old building and the same heating plant will do for both. There will also be a saving on janitor service and the use of the library, gymnasium and some other features.

The committee after thoroughly examining the plans will report to the Board of Aldermen. It will be up to the voters to decide whether the building shall be erected.

The Rutland News
May 30, 1924

STAG PARTY FOR GEO. M. CLIFFORD

George M. Clifford of State Street was guest of honor at a stag party held last evening at the Green Mountain club house by over 25 of his friends.

An eight course supper was served, the dining rooms of the club house being attractively decorated for the event with flags and cut flowers. A smoker was enjoyed during the evening and Mr. Clifford was presented with several gifts.

Mr. Clifford, who is a well known Rutland undertaker, is to be married Wednesday, June 4, to Miss Marjorie Casey, also of this city, at St. Peter's church.

The Rutland News
June 4, 1924

CASEY-CLIFFORD WEDDING TODAY

**Rutland Couple Are Married
At St. Peter's Church by
Rev. J. M. Brown.**

Miss Marjorie Frances Casey of Forest Street and George M. Clifford, son of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Clifford of State Street, were married this morning at 9 o'clock at St. Peter's Church with Rev. J. M. Brown celebrating a nuptial high mass.

Bride Attended by Niece.

The bride was attended by her niece, Miss Louise Mary Casey, and Charles Clifford, cousin of the bridegroom, acted as best man. Mrs. Clifford was gowned in wood brown crepe romaine, trimmed with lace. She wore a hat to match and carried a bouquet of American beauty roses.

The bridesmaid was gowned in rose colored georgette crepe, with a hat to match, and she also carried a bouquet of pink roses.

Special Music During Service.

During the ceremony there was a special musical program, with Mrs. J. J. Lalor, aunt of Mr. Clifford, presiding at the organ, Miss Charlotte Moloney, as violinist, and Stephen Clifford as flutist. Vocal selections were rendered by John E. Barrett

and John C. Clifford.

Following the ceremony the bridal party went to the Brandon Inn where a wedding breakfast was served to relatives and friends. The newly-weds left this morning for a two weeks' automobile honeymoon trip through the Adirondack Mountains, after which they will return to Rutland to reside.

Bride Born in Pittsford.

Mrs. Clifford was born in Pittsford. She is a graduate of the Pittsford High School, the Rutland Business College and for some time has been affiliated with the Stephen C. Dorsey Insurance Company. She was secretary for seven years and at present is vice president of the company.

Mr. Clifford was born in Rutland and was educated in the St. Peter's schools. He is a member of the firm of Clifford Bros., undertakers.

Present at Ceremony.

Out of town persons who attended the wedding included Mrs. Herbert Fitzgerald of Hartford, Conn., Mr. and Mrs. Ford Warren of Hampton, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Hennessy and Thomas and Anna Hennessy of Pittsford, Attorney and Mrs. J. E. Sennett of Poultney, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Kennedy of Glens Falls, N. Y., Mrs. Mary Flood and George Flood of Poultney, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Fink of Bellows Falls.

The Rutland News
January 9, 1925

SCOUT CORPS WILL BUY CAMP SUNRISE

Council Will Meet This Afternoon to Authorize the Purchase.

A meeting of the Boy Scout Council corporation will be held at the Scout office this afternoon at 5:30 for the purpose of authorizing the purchase of the Camp Sunrise property as provided for in the recent Scout finance campaign. The date will also be decided for the annual meeting of the council.

Members of the various troops of Boy Scouts of the City have been asked to serve as guides for piloting the delegates to the Older Boys Conference to the various homes where they will be entertained while in Rutland. The entertainment committee of the conference is planning for the entertainment of 550 delegates from Friday evening, January 30th, to Monday morning, February 2nd.

Basketball Game Tonight.

A basketball team made up of members of Troop 6 under the auspices of the American Legion will play a game with representatives of Troop 1 of Brandon, also under the auspices of the American Legion Post of that town, as preliminary to the High School game in the Rutland Armory tonight. The Troop 6 team will also play a game at the Community House Gym Saturday afternoon against a team from the Longfellow School at 2 o'clock.

A practical talk on Scouting will be given over the radio between 7:30 and 8:30 o'clock this evening from Station WCAX at the University of Vermont, by Stephenson Hill, Scout Executive for Burlington. This station operates on 360 metres wave-length.

The new officers of Troop 5 of Boy Scouts, which meets at the Community House Thursday evenings, were inducted into the troop leadership last evening. C. Edwin Howard, became the scoutmaster of this troop and Dr. George A. Osborne, assistant scoutmaster. Leonard Jillson also remains as assistant scoutmaster.

A series of twelve troop meeting programs with all necessary details for the troop instruction as well as the social and game periods of the meetings have just been issued by the Scout executive.

Winter Sports Practice.

The third in the series of outdoor and winter sports Scouting practice meetings will be held Saturday on the grounds back of the Rutland Country Club under the leadership of Dr. George Osborne and the Scout executive and other leaders. The party leaves the Scout office at 9:30 A. M.

Troops 5 and 7 will have an educational trip to the electric power stations next Tuesday evening as guests of the Light & Power Co., starting at 7 o'clock from the Community House. Troop 4 will make the same trip on Wednesday evening starting from the Trinity Parish House.

The Rutland News
January 12, 1925

FENTON PLEADS FOR NEW SCHOOL

Tells Rotarians Rutland Pupils Are Denied Full Time Attendance.

Addressing members of the Rotary Club at its weekly luncheon meeting at the Hotel Berwick this noon, Walter S. Fenton urged the wholehearted support of the club on the new high school proposition. Mr. Fenton was chairman of the special committee which prepared and presented a report covering its investigations of the situation.

Pupils On Part Time.

Mr. Fenton considered several phases of the proposed building in his talk. He pointed out first that pupils in the high school at the present time are not receiving the educational training accorded pupils in such Vermont towns and cities as Brandon, Fair Haven, Burlington, Barre, and Montpelier because of the shortened school day session which is necessary in Rutland. The pupils of Rutland, he asserted, are losing 1170 hours of class room work in their four years of high school.

Matter Of School Site.

Mr. Fenton next considered the type of school and site upon which the school should be placed. Three sites, he declared, were available. The first was the Baxter property on Grove Street. A conservative estimate of the price of this land was between 100 and 125 thousand dollars. The Pond lot was considered but there were provisions in the deed which declared that no public buildings be erected upon it. He also mentioned the Main Street Park but this also was restricted for use only as a public green or park. The only site left, then, was the land adjoining the present school, he said. This land was leased, he explained, and the deed required, among other things, that it be used for school purposes.

Mr. Fenton also considered the matter of taxation which property owners and others would be called upon to pay and said that the amount would be no more than they could easily afford.

The Rutland News
January 10, 1925

STUDY PLANS FOR NEW HIGH SCHOOL

**Factions For and Against
Proposition Marshal
Forces For Battle.**

That there is considerable interest among Rutland citizens in the new High School proposition was demonstrated this morning after plans for the structure had been placed in the window of the building formerly occupied by the Marble Savings Bank on Merchants Row.

During the morning, an interested group gathered in front of the window, evidently studying in some detail the plans upon which they will be called upon to vote when the proposition comes up on January 27.

Outcome Beyond Prediction.

Those backing the proposition are of the opinion that the proposition has "shot its bolt" and proponents of the project will have everything about their own way from now until the day for voting. However, it has developed that opposing groups are still showing signs of life and that they will use considerable influence to block the movement.

From opinions gathered from both sides this morning, it would be difficult to predict with any degree of certainty whether Rutland will have a new school or not.

Backers Well Organized.

It would appear at this time as though backers of the plan are better organized and that their effective organization may swing enough voters into line to assure the success of the structure. The committees from the 11 wards of the city, following the meeting of ward chairmen yesterday, went into action today and will continue to work among the voters up to and including the day of the special meeting. On that day, they will make efforts to get out a large vote. It is probable that a large mass meeting will be held soon at which prominent speakers will talk.

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COST OF RUNNING NEW HIGH SCHOOL

Supt. of Schools Fairchild Estimates Increase in Overhead Expenses At \$4000, With \$1500 Reduction; Disagrees With Persons Who Think That If Building Is Erected It Will Mean a Sharp Increase In Rents.

To the Editor of the News:—

The question of the increased cost of operating the proposed new High School is receiving proper consideration. A careful estimate shows that there will be an increase in general overhead expenses of about \$4,000 for maintaining the proposed new building. This amount should be reduced by \$1500 on account of reductions in cost of operating other buildings; certain rooms will be closed until increased registration makes their use necessary.

Provision For Growth.

The plan now being considered makes provision for growth in both the Junior-Senior High School and the elementary schools for a period of twenty years. The total increase in cost in fuel, janitor service and other general overhead will be about \$2500.

We do not anticipate any increase in the teaching force of the city except as enrollment increases. Our average for each teacher is about right at the present time and is as follows:

Elementary schools, grades 1—6, 35.2 pupils per teacher.

Intermediate or Junior High, 32 pupils per teacher.

High School, 27 pupils per teacher,

Teachers Required.

A comparison of the number of teachers now employed for grades 7—12 with the number needed in September, 1926, is given below:

No. of teachers employed at the present time:

Grades 9—12.....	21
Grades 7—8.....	12
Principals.....	2
Library.....	0
Music and Drawing.....	1 1-2
Gynasium.....	0
Home Economics.....	2
Manual Training.....	0
Needed Now.....	1

Total 39 1-2

No. of teachers required to put into execution the new program of education:

Senior High, Grades 10—12	15
Junior High, Grades 7—9	16
Principal.....	1
Library.....	1

Music and Drawing.....	1 1-2
Gynasium.....	1
Home Economics.....	2
Manual Training.....	1
Margin of Safety.....	1

Total 39 1-2

These figures are, of course, based on the number of pupils now in grades 7—12. Any increase in registration will mean a proportionate increase in teaching force.

Effect On Rents.

A large number of the voters of the City of Rutland are renters. It has been suggested that rents might be very largely increased on account of the proposed new High School building. In order to allay any fear on the part of those who feel that they are paying all the rent they can afford, we should make some investigation to show about how it would work.

We find:

Property No. 1, 2 family apartment, assessed at \$2800, rents for \$780 per year, increase in tax on account of proposed new building, \$9.40 per year to be charged against two tenants.

Property No. 2, 2 family apartment, assessed at \$1500, rents for \$648 per year, increase in tax on account of proposed new building, \$5.25 per year to be charged against two tenants.

Property No. 3, 2 family apartment, assessed at \$4,000, rents for \$960 per year, increase in tax on account of proposed new building, \$14.00 per year to be charged against two tenants.

The examples given above are on some of the best property in the city. The increase in rent per month on property No. 1 for each tenant would be less than forty cents a month; on property No. 2 the increase would be a little over twenty cents per month; on property No. 3 the increase would be just forty cents a month.

It would appear that no landlord would be justified in raising rent any appreciable amount on account of the cost of the proposed new building.

W. W. FAIRCHILD.

RUTLAND HIGH SCHOOL MUSICIANS HAVE UNUSUALLY PROFITABLE YEAR

Frank C. Phillips, Director of Music, Reports Growth of High School Orchestra, Formation of a Dance Orchestra, and Chorus Activities.

The growth of the high school orchestra, the formation of a dance orchestra, the organization of a chorus, and the prospects of organizing a chorus group among the members of the Freshman class are some of the points touched upon by Frank C. Phillips, assistant principal and director of music at the Rutland High School, in his annual report to Superintendent of Schools William W. Fairchild.

Mr. Phillips' Report

"I wish first to give a brief outline of the work of the music department of the high school at it is being carried on at the present time. The high school chorus, is open to all pupils of the Sophomore, Junior and Senior classes, whose voices are at all suitable, whose ears have been sufficiently trained to enable them to keep a part, and who will attend rehearsals regularly. Owing to the present afternoon schedule, it is impossible to allow any members of the Freshman class to join the school chorus, but we hope to be able, later in the school year, to form a Freshman chorus, which will enable pupils who desire it to have some musical work during their first year in high school. Between 30 and 40 Freshman have already expressed their intention of joining such a chorus if it is organized.

Upper Class Students Apply

From the upper classes 80 girls and 30 boys have applied for admission in the chorus, and nearly all of them have been allowed to join.

While it would not be wise to use all of them in a musical play which we expect to give in 1925, they will be given a certain amount of training, and all of them will be permitted to sing at graduation, even if this makes it difficult to secure a well balanced chorus.

Chorus Rehearsals.

Four one hour periods each week are devoted to chorus rehearsals. All music is carefully chosen so that it will be neither too high nor too low in range, as either extreme places a severe strain on young, untrained voices. While boys and girls are capable of making plenty of noise with their voices during the school period, singing of a wrong sort is apt to prove more disastrous to their voices during this period than at any other time in their lives. Most boys enter high school with voices which have not yet changed or which are in the process of changing. In the majority of cases, their voices do not become sufficiently settled to make it safe for them to attempt to sing tenor or bass until their third year in high school. Consequently there are comparatively few male voices available at this time.

Girls' Voices Also Change

"The change in boys' voices is so apparent that most people are well aware of it, but it is not so well understood that girls' voices undergo a change at about the same period.

This change is not so marked, nor so inconvenient as the change in boys' voices, but it does make it necessary to use a great deal of care in handling girls' voices at this time, especially to make sure that they do not sing too loud or too high. Many girls of high school age utterly ruin their voices by attempting to do solo work too early and without proper training.

The School Orchestra.

"One of the most encouraging features of the musical work of the high school has been the growth of the school orchestra. My first Rutland orchestra in 1919 contained 10 members. By 1921, it had grown to 21 members, and at the present time we have a membership of 57, with the following instrumentation:

"Thirty-two violins, five cellos, one flute, three clarinets, two saxophones, five cornets, three F concert horns; two trombones; one mandolin, one banjo, drums and piano. This large orchestra meets for rehearsal once each week and plays at the high school assembly about once a month. It is used for graduation and at a few other public meetings during the year.

Dance Orchestra Formed.

"In September of this year a smaller orchestra of 20 members, known as the dance orchestra, was chosen from the larger group. This dance orchestra has a special rehearsal of one or two hours a week and plays both standard music and jazz. It has the following instrumentation:

"Six violins, two cellos, banjo, clarinet, two saxophones, three cornets, two F concert horns, trombone, drums, and piano. In addition to the players at the high school

assemblies once a month, this orchestra plays for receptions and dances given by classes of the school and similar entertainments. It is also used as a theater orchestra to accompany the school operas, to

play between the acts of the Senior play, and on other occasions.

The Beginners' Group.

"Some work is also done with a beginners' group, consisting of all pupils who are taking lessons on musical instruments, other than piano, who are not yet sufficiently advanced to play with either of the orchestras. They are given some special training to prepare them for orchestra work and are taken into the large orchestra just as soon as their instructors consider them capable of doing the work required.

School Owns Instruments.

"Since 1922, the school has been purchasing one or two musical instruments each year. These are loaned to pupils in order to be most valuable, the pupils should begin the study of musical instruments before they reach the high school or during the Freshman year. With the assistance of Mr. Coan, I am able to find pupils in the intermediate school and the Freshman class of the high school, whose parents are willing to have them take lessons on the instrument as we need to keep the instrumentation of the orchestra as nearly complete as possible. At the present time the school owns two F concert horns, two trombones, a cello, and a set of drums, all of which are in use.

Interest in Orchestra.

Several parents have consulted me during the past few months regarding interest in the orchestra and tend to have their children begin during the coming year. This growing interest in the orchestra and the spirit of cooperation displayed by both pupils and parents are very encouraging.

"The chorus is at present working on a musical romance, "Once in a Blue Moon," which we hope to produce sometime in February of the coming year.

"I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my sincere appreciation of the cooperation and assistance given me by the board of school commissioners, the superintendent, the public school music supervisor, and the principal and teachers of the high school."

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Levi F. Miner Asks About Bond Issue

"Shall the City Council be authorized to issue bonds and pledge the credit of the city therefor to an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand (\$500,000.) dollars for the purpose of erecting and equipping a new High School building on the adjacent to the present High School site, acquiring and grading additional land to be used in connection therewith, and repairing the present High School building?"

VOTE "YES" OR "NO."

If the vote is yes, according to our understanding, it is proposed to issue bonds to the amount of five hundred thousand dollars, maturing in twenty years and bearing the lowest rate of interest consistent with their present sale at par; retiring the bonds by paying the interest semi-annually and creating a sinking fund sufficient to retire the bonds at maturity, and to obtain the money with which to do this by assessing and collecting annually during said term a tax of thirty-five cents on each dollar of the grand list of the city.

A certain nigger philosopher has said "Taint what you all sees, it's the way you looks at it," and there is certainly much importance in our point of view.

We have read and listened to the views of quite a number of our citizens more or less interested in this subject, which seem to us to have been taken from the same point of view with wonderful uniformity, because it discloses that the cost to the poll tax payer (and there are 9,024) will be only three cents per month, and to the average householder only seventy-five cents per month. Just who is to pay the remainder seems to be obscured in the distance.

This view appears to us to be such as one gets by looking through a telescope with the eye covering the big end. Reversing the instrument, however, the first thing disclosed with great distinctness is that if these bonds are issued (assuming the interest rate to be 4 percent, and it can be no less) the city has assumed an obligation the discharge of which, interest and principal, will require the payment out of the city treasury of the sum of \$900,000.

Of course it goes without saying that the sooner a man pays his debt the less it will cost him in interest, and if we create by equal annual payments a sinking fund sufficient to retire the bonds at maturity, the interest on these payments at the same rate as the bonds, if we have no unfortunate investment or other bad luck with the sinking fund, will amount to \$146,651.47. This will decrease the net cost to the city of retiring the bonds to \$753,348.53, and this sum cannot be further reduced except by larger annual payments involving of course a corresponding increase in annual taxation.

The Grand List of the City for the year 1924 amount to \$128,026.69, and each poll stands in the Grand list at one dollar. The tax assessed against a man or woman who is listed with a poll, or one dollar, and nothing else is 35 cents. The tax assessed against the man or woman whose grand list is one thousand dollars and no more is \$350.

Do you think these two people contribute to the public expense in this proportion? You know they do not, for the very good reason that if they did the rich would very soon become poor, and they don't get that way. Yet the debts of the city must be paid and paid by taxation.

LEVI F. MINER.

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January 26, 1925

VOTE TOMORROW ON SCHOOL ISSUE

Polls Will Be Open From 3
In Afternoon Until 8 In
Evening.

Rutland will vote tomorrow on the proposed \$500,000 bond issue for a new high school. The polls will be open from 3 o'clock in the afternoon until 8 o'clock in the evening. Indications are the vote will be a big one for a special election.

The polling places are: Ward 1, Dana School House; Ward 2, Brock House; Ward 3, City Council Chamber; Ward 4, Berwick House store on Wales Street; Ward 5, Longfellow school; Ward 6, Kingsley school; Ward 7, store, 14 Evelyn Street; Ward 8, Lafrance store, 97 River Street; Ward 9, Lincoln school; Ward 10, Watkins Avenue school; Ward 11, Park Street school.

School Bond Plan Beaten Decisively

Is Voted Down 3176 to 696; Opponents of Proposition Have No Suggestions At Present For Remedying Crowded Conditions At High School.

What will Rutland do now, was the question most frequently asked today when discussion centered around the overwhelming defeat yesterday of the \$500,000 bond issue for a new high school.

That something must be done is admitted even by the bitterest opponents of the half million bond issue, but they were rather vague today as to what would be considered most advantageous and economical for the city.

It is not likely that the March meeting ticket will include a bond issue for a new high school. By their vote yesterday, the people have shown that they have little desire to talk high school for some time to come, at least.

Yesterday's Vote.

The vote yesterday was 3,176 against and 696 for the school. Not a ward in the city gave the issue even half of a favoring vote. It was defeated by about 5 to 1.

The vote by wards was:

	Yes	No
Ward 1	117	357
Ward 2	82	370
Ward 3	64	187
Ward 4	33	101
Ward 5	133	430
Ward 6	50	425
Ward 7	21	222
Ward 8	13	309
Ward 9	112	334
Ward 10	38	204
Ward 11	33	237
	696	3176

Comments On Vote.

In commenting on the vote, Mayor Dunn made the following statement:

"I feel now that it is up to the school board and to the people to decide what to do. There is nothing more that I can say."

Harvey R. Kingsley, president of the school board, said:

"I wish to thank the committee and the people back of the project for supporting this proposition."

Fairchild's Attitude.

William W. Fairchild, superintendent of schools, issued the following statement:

"The voters of Rutland by a very large majority declined to adopt the plan for a new high school recommended to them by the Mayor's committee and approved by the board of school commissioners. We still need additional school rooms. Every good citizen should feel a responsibility in the matter and help find a solution of the problem. Perhaps a much better plan can be proposed. If any citizen has such a plan in mind, he ought to make it known."

Antis Rejoice.

For the opposition, W. L. Archer, secretary of the Civic Economy Club which opposed the plan, stated:

"We expected that the bond issue would be defeated, but the great majority is a most pleasing surprise to us."

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Fairchild, Kingsley Address Teachers

Superintendent of Schools William W. Fairchild and President of the School Board Harvey R. Kingsley explained the proposed high school project at a meeting of the Rutland Teachers' Association yesterday afternoon.

The exact manner in which the money will be expended is as follows:

380,000 of the \$500,000 desired will be for the new building.

\$120,000 will be for land, repairing and remodeling the old building and furnishing and equipping the new, paying architect's fees, etc.

\$16,000 will be the cost of the Lyman property.

\$7,500 will be the cost of the Ranger property.

\$8,500 will be the cost of the Mears property (all of which will be bought for grounds for the new building.)

\$40,000 will be expended in equipping the new building.

\$25,000 will be expended in repairing the old building.

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ABOUT FIFTEEN YEARS AGO, WE SPENT FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ON OUR HIGH SCHOOL

ANOTHER HUNDRED THOUSAND at that time would have built us a complete NEW PLANT, similar to that of EDMUNDS HIGH SCHOOL in BURLINGTON (a solid, substantial, sensible structure.)

Many of us who now OPPOSE THE ENORMOUS bond issue, then favored the entire new structure, and couldn't make ourselves heard.

WE NOW OPPOSE a bond issue that will amount to ONE MILLION DOLLARS when matured in TWENTY YEARS, at 4 percent simple interest.

DARE YOU VOTE this enormous FIRST MORTGAGE on ever bit of property IN RUTLAND CITY when not necessary?

PILLARED PORCHES and CLOCK-TOWERED BEL-FRIES look good today. STYLES CHANGE, as witness our old HIGH SCHOOL. ECONOMY and THRIFT suggest caution. DECIDE and VOTE.

CIVIC ECONOMY CLUB, RUTLAND, VERMONT

We invite all who oppose this great expenditure to JOIN OUR CLUB. We advocate ECONOMY. No dues. Address W. L. ARCHER, Sec'y. 9 No. Main St. Phone 82-R.

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WEEKS TO INSPECT SITES

Will Consider Property In Rutland For Home Cen- ter For Girls.

Further steps towards the establishment of a home center for girls in Rutland will be taken this week when Judge John E. Weeks, commissioner of public welfare, and Dr. T. J. Allen, superintendent of the Home for Feeble Minded in Brandon, will be in Rutland to inspect sites and property and to confer with interested persons on the undertaking.

The question was discussed yesterday at the meeting of the educational committee of the Rutland Woman's Club which met at Riverside Reformatory. Miss Lena C. Ross, superintendent of that institution told the members of the committee of the tentative plans of the proposed home and urged their support in the project.

The committee also discussed Americanization for girls and laid plans for work among the women of foreign birth in the city which will probably be taken up in the spring.

GIRLS' HOME TO BE OPENED IN RUTLAND

Judge Weeks, Supt. Allen of Brandon School For Feeble-Minded and Supt. Lena C. Ross of Riverside Reformatory Hold Conference.

A home center for girls from the Home for Feeble Minded in Brandon will be established in Rutland. This was definitely decided this morning following a conference by Judge John E. Weeks, commissioner of public welfare, and Dr. T. J. Allen, superintendent of the Brandon Home, with Miss Lena C. Ross, superintendent of the Riverside Reformatory here.

Judge Weeks will ask the Legislature for permission to establish the home here. He said this morning that he had no doubt that the proposition would receive the sanction of the lawmakers at Montpelier.

Discussion this morning at the conference centered around several

available locations and houses, one of which will be chosen by the first of next week at the latest. Rutland people may not be called upon to contribute. The home will be underwritten, the state paying sufficient rental to cover interest on the money invested. Miss Ross said that there will be no difficulty in raising the required capital.

No intimation this morning as to what sites are under consideration was given out although it was said that there are several. The selection of a site will determine the source of the money necessary, it was explained.

The matter is now entirely in the hands of Judge Weeks and Dr. Allen.

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MOLONEY HOUSE FOR GIRLS' HOME

Interested Persons Have Option to Be Exercised When Assembly Acts.

An option on a double house owned by Mrs. T. W. Moloney at Nos. 196-198 Columbian Avenue has been obtained by the group interested in establishing a home center for girls from the Home for Feeble Minded in Brandon. It is understood that this house will be used as a dormitory provided permission is granted by the Legislature.

Judge J. E. Weeks, chairman of the department of public welfare, after conferring last week with Miss Lena Ross, superintendent of the Riverside Reformatory, and Dr. T. J. Allen, superintendent of the Brandon Home, went today to Montpelier to place the matter before the Legislature and to ask its permission to establish the home.

Action was anticipated during the first three days of the week but evidently the last minute flood of bills side-tracked the issue. Judge Weeks communicated with Miss Ross this morning, telling her that the issue was still pending.

Financial support has been offered by certain parties who will underwrite the home, the state to pay rental sufficient to cover interest on the money advanced. Who these parties are was not disclosed this morning.

The Moloney house was selected after Judge Weeks and Dr. Allen had inspected several other available sites. It is understood that a number of property owners offered homes for this purpose.

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15 GIRLS FOR NEW HOME HERE

**Miss Ross Announces Plan
For Occupying Time
Of Charges.**

Approximately 15 girls will be brought to Rutland from the Home for Feeble Minded in Brandon when the Moloney house of 15 rooms on Columbian Avenue is opened as a home center. However, before further action can be taken, the authorities must first wait for permission from the Legislature. This is expected daily.

The girls will not be all transferred at one time, Miss Lena C. Ross, superintendent of the Riverside Reformatory, said today. Probably eight or ten will be brought here first, the number to be increased at intervals.

Miss Ross gave additional details on the plan this morning when she said that not all of the girls would be put into steady employment. Some of them will work out by the day or by the hour. There will be a matron or housemother in charge.

One or two meals a day will be furnished the girls at the dormitory and all Sunday meals for those not in steady employment. The girls will be required to return to their home immediately following the day's work and careful check will be kept upon them at all times.

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AWAIT ACTION ON COLONY PROJECT

**\$5000 Appropriated by
House Not Yet Confirmed
By Senate.**

Miss Lena C. Ross, superintendent of the Riverside Reformatory, was awaiting word from Montpelier today as to what action the Senate had taken upon an appropriation of \$5000 for a home center here. The measure received sanction in the House yesterday.

It was learned this morning that the House which the committee has an option on would not be underwritten by interested parties but would be rented by the state. It is owned by Mrs. T. W. Moloney and is located on Columbian Avenue.

Preliminary plans were to interest a group of citizens who would invest money in the property to receive the usual rate of interest by renting it to the state. But this was later found to be unnecessary.

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March 24, 1925

WILL CONFER ON HOME FOR GIRLS

**Details of Project Will Be
Decided At Conference
Here Tomorrow.**

All details regarding the opening of a home center for girls from the Home for Feeble Minded in Brandon, at the Moloney house at 196 Columbian Avenue, will probably be settled tomorrow when Dr. T. J. Allen, superintendent of the Brandon Home, confers with Miss Lena C. Ross, superintendent of the Riverside Reformatory.

On the last day of the Legislature, a special appropriation of \$5,000 was voted by the Senate after having surpassed the House. This money which will be used for rental and other incidental expenses definitely assured the project.

It was not known this morning when the home would be opened but it is expected that the conference tomorrow will bring about a decision on this question.

As the home colony is an adjunct of the Brandon home, it will be directly supervised by Dr. Allen, with Miss Ross assisting him.

TRINITY CHURCH HAS ANNIVERSARY

Rev. Morgan Ashley Gives Historical Outline of Trinity Parish.

The 131st anniversary of the founding of the Trinity Episcopal Church in this city was observed last night at the church with an address by Rev. Morgan Ashley, pastor. Mr. Ashley explained that although there were services held previously, the recorded history of the church went back only for 131 years.

On September 19, 1793, the congregation in Rutland was recognized by the state convention meeting in Tinmouth. Mr. Ashley said. Daniel Chipman was admitted to a seat as its representative. Rev. Bethuel Chittenden held the first recorded service on March 4, 1794 in the old state house on West Street.

Church's History.

The following chronological outline of the church was given by Mr. Ashley last night:

Oct. 15, 1794, a petition was sent from Rutland by members of the state convention, praying the Archbishop of Canterbury to consecrate the Rev. Samuel Peters, D. D. of London, bishop of Vermont. Nov. 13, 1795, the special convention met in Rutland. The local congregation was represented by four delegates. May 22, 1818, at the convention in Windsor, it was reported that 19 persons in Rutland had received holy baptism, three adults and sixteen children.

Parish Organized In 1832.

From 1821 to 1824, Bishop Griswold reported a feeble church life with hopes for the future. Trinity Parish was organized on February 28, 1832 and on April of the following year, the first church building was erected after designs by Bishop Hopkins, the structure costing \$3,000. On May 29 of the same year, the consecration of the church was held during the session of the diocesan convention.

In 1848, a rectory was purchased at the corner of North Main and Woodstock Avenue and on March 11, 1855 the present church bell was used for the first time.

Church Erected In 1865.

A subscription of \$3,000 for a new church was made on October 7, 1860 and in 1863 the site of the present church was acquired. The sale of the old rectory was made during the following year. The last services in the old church were held in August, 1865.

On August 16 of the same year, the new church was erected at a cost of \$25,000 and was consecrated by Bishop Hopkins. A salaried choir that year was substituted for the volunteer choir.

Trinity Chapel was built in 1875-76 at a cost of \$2,500 and pews were abolished in 1880 on Easter Day. The present rectory was secured in July 1882 at a cost of \$8,000. During the two following years, additions were made to the chapel and the rector's study added to the rectory.

Rebuilt In 1890.

On April 21, 1890 it was voted at a special parish meeting to reconstruct the church building and on January 21, 1891 the Bishop of Albany blessed the renovated structure. The cost of the work exclusive of personal and memorial gifts was about \$22,000.

The church celebrated its centennial on March 4, 1894 with a public service and parish reception.

On July 14, 1901 a special meeting of the vestry approved plans for the proposed Parish House to cost about \$8,000. This was constructed during the pastorate of Rev. Joseph Reynolds who was elected in 1902. Mr. Ashley, the present pastor, came to the church on August 21, 1919.

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OLD GAS LIGHTS DISAPPEAR HERE

Few of Posts Which Once
Adorned Streets of City
Now Remain.

The old gas lights used some 35 years ago to illuminate the city streets have disappeared and today only a few remain out of 200. The posts are owned by the city which has been removing them during the past few years. One of these posts still stands near the southern end of Cottage Street.

The gas which was used in these lamps was manufactured at the old Fifth Avenue gas plant of which John Eustis of Chicago was head. He is at present vice-president and general manager of the People's Gas & Coke Company of Chicago, one of the largest concerns of its kind in the country. Samuel Insull is president of the company. He is also president of the Twin State Gas & Electric Company which recently bought the Vermont Hydro-Electric Corporation.

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March 2, 1925

PAPERS SIGNED FOR BOY SCOUT CAMPSITE

If the Boy Scout camp at Sunrise and Sunset Lakes in Benson is conducted satisfactorily during the next five years, the Rutland County Council of Boy Scouts will own the property without incumbrance. The sole cost to the council is a sum of \$1900 which was paid Saturday when the final papers on the transfer were returned to this city by Mr. and Mrs. William R. Bush, former owners of the land. The cost is the actual value of the buildings only and does not include the land itself which is valued at \$5,000.

Notes for \$5,000, without interest, have been given by the Rutland council to Mr. and Mrs. Bush. The deeds to the property, however, are in the hands of the council accompanied by an agreement which stipulates that, with the satisfactory conduct of the camp during the next five years, the property will belong to the council without additional payment. There is also a clause which allows the council to purchase the property for \$5,000 should the camp management not satisfy Mr. and Mrs. Bush.

GOMEZ TELLS OF SHAVING BARNUM

Will Have Barbered Four
Generations In One Rut-
land Family.

"There's one born every minute" may not have been uttered in a Rutland barber's chair but its originator, the great showman, P. T. Barnum, was shaved by J. J. Gomez when Mr. Gomez conducted a barbershop in the old Bates House.

Mr. Gomez this week retired from business when he announced the sale of his Center Street barber shop. For 42 years the veteran barber has followed his trade here, and during that time he has seen many changes and improvements in tonsorial technique.

Mr. Gomez came to Rutland from Lawrence, Mass., opening up a shop in the old Bates House, which was situated where the Mead Building now stands. He remained here for two years when he returned to Lawrence for a brief period, later coming again to this city. For the last ten years, he owned and operated his Center Street barber shop.

Barbers' Earnings Increase.

When Mr. Gomez began his trade, a barber labored strenuously to make even as much as \$10 per week. Shaves at that time were 10 cents, and hair cuts, 25 cents. Although the discrepancy between prices charged in the last century and those charged today, is not unduly great, the volume of trade and man's vanity have so increased that today a barber makes an average living.

Back in the seventies, Mr. Gomez explained, the shave and haircut were the extent of man's pride in tonsorial neatness. The massage, the hair singe, the shampoo, the steamed towel, the hair tonic, etc., etc., were unknown in the barbers' world.

Hair cutting was accomplished solely by scissors, the clippers not coming into use until the early '80's. The first clippers used were not the handiest and most effective instrument explained. They were large and unwieldy and necessitated the use of both hands in operation. Mr. Gomez laughingly said that he tried his first pair on a sheep owned by his father, the latter pronouncing the result very unsatisfactory.

Has Shaved Three Generations.

One interesting phase in connection with Mr. Gomez's work in Rutland was brought out when he told of shaving three generations in one family and added that it was likely that he would cut the hair of a fourth before leaving the city. He has shaved the grandfather, and father of Emmet L. Fagan, life insurance agent of this city, has shaved Mr. Fagan himself and to complete the fourth generation, may cut the hair of Mr. Fagan's son.

In addition to shaving P. T. Barnum, Mr. Gomez also shaved the late Buffalo Bill when that famous character once visited the city with a wild west show.

Mr. Gomez said that Buffalo Bill tipped him a quarter and presented him two tickets to the show. The exhibition was none too varied, Mr. Gomez declared, consisting chiefly of a few Indian dancers and a woman sharpshooter.

After visiting relatives in Massachusetts, Mr. Gomez and his wife plan to go to California.

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TWO STORY HOUSE TAKING LONG TRIP

Former Hinsman Home On
Prospect St. Being Mov-
ed to Killington Ave.

The moving of a two story frame house owned by Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Hinsman, from 37 Prospect Street to Killington Avenue, is in progress and it is expected that it will require a week or 10 days before the house reaches its final destination. The work is being done by John Burton with a force of five men.

The house was being pulled up Washington Street today. In addition to the actual moving of the structure, employees of the telephone and electric light companies were clearing the street of overhanging wires as the building progressed up the street.

The length of time required to get the building to its final location depends almost entirely on the difficulties encountered. This particular house, it was said this morning, had been excellently constructed so that the work was progressing almost without trouble.

BANDMEN TO PAY FOR OWN UNIFORMS

Public Twice Refuses to
Aid Musicians Who Earn
\$85 Apiece Yearly.

If members of the Rutland City Band are to have new uniforms this season, it is probable that they will have to pay for them out of their own pockets. The band has held two entertainments in an effort to raise money for the uniform fund, but neither affair contributed much to the organization's coffers.

The concert given by the band at the armory last winter netted \$28, but the band dance at the armory last evening, at which a radio set was sold to Miss Margaret Avery, resulted in a deficit. Sale of the radio netted about \$125 but that was about the only source of revenue, for only 10 couples attended the dance.

The band uniforms are to cost \$900. Consequently each member of the band will have to dig deeply into his own treasury. The average yearly pay of a member of the band is \$85. This includes his earnings from the open air concerts, the Rutland Fair engagement and all other band work.

FIELD PROLIFIC AS AN INVENTOR

Local Man Has Taken Out Patents On Many Devices Having Market Value.

The possessor of inventive genius has more to contend with than ordinary person and before he has acquainted himself with the wiles of human nature and the propensity of his fellow men to take as their own

what is rightfully his, a fortune may have slipped through his fingers.

Bertram L. Field, clock repairer, of this city, has already patented a number of articles and, like many fellow inventors, has been disillusioned in intrusting his "brain child" to the hands of another before it has been duly patented in his name by the federal government. Even then, the inventor is not absolutely safe, Mr. Field claims.

Invented Mechanical Toy.

Many years ago Mr. Field conceived the idea of a toy. The principle of the article was to arrange a mechanical contrivance which would

automatically propel a mouse up a stick. He perfected it, but, not being familiar with patents, never realized anything from it, although a short time later a similar toy appeared on the market and had a remarkable sale.

The first article which Mr. Field patented was a contrivance to be placed upon wagon shafts which made it possible to remove the shafts. The idea came into his head when, one day, he noticed that it was necessary for liverymen to lift the shafts to hooks suspended from the ceilings. Not only was it unhandy but it required considerable more room than was necessary. Mr. Field invented an article that made it possible to remove the shafts entirely which enabled the liverymen to place them under the wagons or sleighs as the case might be.

Other Inventions.

During the war, Mr. Field invented a game called "No Man's Land" which attained considerable popularity. He has also invented a booklet in which newspaper and other clippings may be kept systematically, a file cabinet for photograph films, and an instrument for lifting hot dishes from stoves.

Possibly his most successful invention is a chairback for bleachers at sporting events. When cement bleachers came into use, however, his chair was no longer practicable so last fall, he made changes in the original model to make it adaptable to the new style bleachers. He received the patent on this last February and is now waiting to hear the results of investigation which several firms are making on the article with the view of purchasing the patent.

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May 21, 1925

CAMPING GROUND TO HAVE SWIMMING HOLE

A swimming hole will be constructed at the Chamber of Commerce camping ground at the Milo Lester farm this season. There is a creek running across the property which will be dammed to provide a sufficiently large pool.

The site was visited by Albert S. Reed, Miss Lulu M. Tye and Fred A. Field yesterday. There will be a fence built around the grounds and the electric lights will be strung.

The Rutland News
June 9, 1925

WATERING TROUGH TO BE PRESERVED

Aldermen Vote Not to Demolish Fountain Used by Horses 50 Years.

City officials have decided not to remove the watering trough at Evelyn Street and Merchants Row. It will be continued as a drinking place for horses and dogs. There was talk that it might be removed, but Commissioner of Public Works Feeley explained the situation to the Board of Aldermen and the board adopted a resolution that the watering trough be continued.

It is one of the old landmarks of the city and during the last 50 years thousands of horses have visited the trough for the purpose of drinking.

During the last three years only a few horses have used the drinking fountain, principally because the automobiles have so generally supplanted horses as a means of conveyance.

Farmers' horses and horses of work teams, however, still get pleasure from the fountain, which caused the city council to vote against its discontinuance.

The Rutland News
July 2, 1925

IMPROVEMENTS MADE AT LESTER CAMPSITE

Plans have been completed by the Rutland Chamber of Commerce camp site committee to make the Chamber of Commerce camp at the Lester Farm north of the city one of the best camping sites in the state. The Chamber has been assisted by Rutland Boy Scouts. This year camping parties will find three new places, a swimming pool, a gas pump and a small store.

MEAD FARM SOLD TO RUTLAND MEN

Valuable 400 Acre Property South of City Is Disposed of
By Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hinsman to D. A.
Barker and F. M. Wilson.

The Mead farm located just south of the fair grounds on the Clarendon road has been purchased by D. A. Barker, proprietor of the Barker Livery Stable, and F. M. Wilson, head of the Wilson Clothing Store, for a consideration of a little less than \$30,000.

Although the transfer papers have not yet been received by the town clerk, Mr. Barker admitted this morning that the purchase had been made. What disposition the new owners will make of the property is still undecided, Mr. Barker said.

The purchase was made from Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Hinsman, Mrs. Hinsman being the daughter of the late Ex-Gov. J. A. Mead.

The farm which is one of the largest in Rutland County contains about 400 acres. In buildings, it has the manager's house, three tenement houses and many out-buildings.

In addition to the land and buildings, Mr. Barker and Mr. Wilson also purchased the entire stock and equipment. There are about 75 head of cattle and five horses on the farm and a full stock of tools and farm equipment.

The Rutland News
August 22, 1925

Legion Purchases E. C. Paige Property

Rutland Post of the American Legion last night voted to purchase the E. C. Paige property on Cottage Street as a permanent home. The home committee, of which Dr. James M. Hamilton is chairman, reported

on the negotiations for the purchase of the property. It is understood that the Legion has been given a purchase price of \$12,500. The property consists of a large house and a cottage.

GET \$4,000 FOR NURSES' HOME

Structure Will Be Built On
Land Just North of the
Hospital.

Over \$4000 has already been raised for the construction of a new nurses' home to replace the one on North Main Street which is now for sale. It was said this morning that plans for the building were still indefinite but Fred A. Field jr., a member of the hospital committee, declared that work on the building will probably be begun within a few months.

The location of the new nurses home will probably be on land just north of the hospital, Mr. Field said. That type of building will be erected together, with other details connected with the structure had not been decided today.

The Rutland News
July 10, 1925

Riverside Repairs Nearly Completed

Repairs at Riverside Reformatory will be completed within a few days.

The institution will now be able to care for 25 extra women prisoners, and arrangements have been made with the federal government whereby the government will pay for the housing of 25 women at the institution. There is some question as to whether the officials of Riverside Reformatory can take these prisoners without a special act of the Legislature.

The Rutland News
June 26, 1925

CONVENT PLANS NEW BUILDING

It Will Give Additional
Room For Pupils of Mt.
St. Joseph Academy.

Right Rev. Bishop J. J. Rice of Burlington, during his visit here on Monday, authorized the Sisters of Mount St. Joseph's Convent to complete plans for a building to be erected just east of the Convent. The building will be constructed of brick, with marble trimmings, similar to the present building.

It is probable that plans for the new building and the alteration of the present building will be completed this year. Work may be started on the new building next spring.

It is possible that at some future date announcement will be made of plans for a Catholic High School for boys to be constructed in a central part of the city for members of St. Peter's Church, the Church of the Sacred Heart of Mary and the Church of the Holy Innocents.

WILL BUILD HOUSE BY SIDE OF ROAD

Methodists, In Addition to Building Church, Will Erect Structure That Will Contain Chapel, Banquet Hall and Gymnasium.

Plans have been completed by Woodbury & Stuart, architects, of Boston, for the Methodist Church and the adjacent building, to be known as "The House by the Side of the Road," which will be erected on Williams Street and Chestnut Avenue. The buildings will cost about \$200,000.

It is probable that bids will be called for within the near future.

The building arrangements are in the hands of a committee of nine trustees, with Charles W. Spencer in charge of the building.

"The House by the Side of the Road" will face on Chestnut Avenue, and will include a chapel, a banquet hall and a gymnasium. It will provide accommodations for gatherings of 475 persons. The banquet hall will accommodate 300 persons.

The Rutland News
August 29, 1925

REJECT ALL BIDS FOR NEW CHURCH

Architect May Furnish Man to Direct Building of Methodist Edifice.

At a joint meeting of the building association and the trustees of the Methodist Church held Thursday evening in the Chapel of the Spencer Undertaking Rooms, it was unanimously voted to reject all bids for the new Methodist Church, owing to the fact that the joint committee was satisfied that the lowest bid on the project was at least \$20,000 too high.

Following the rejection of the bids the committee voted to confer with Woodbury & Stuart, Boston architects, and have them endeavor to secure a man to superintend the building of the church. Mr. Stuart and a building superintendent are expected to come to Rutland next week.

It is the purpose of the committee to build the church with Rutland materials and Rutland help providing that quality and prices are the same as quoted by outside firms.

The Rutland News
July 16, 1925

WILL DECIDE ON CHURCH PLANS

Methodists Will Reach a Final Decision Tomorrow Evening.

Plans and specifications for the new Methodist church, to be built on Williams Street, corner of Chestnut Avenue, will be gone over for the final consideration at a meeting of the building committee to be held tomorrow evening at 7.45 o'clock in the chapel of the C. W. Spencer store. At this time Mr. Stewart of the firm Woodbury & Stewart, of Boston, architect, will be present to present the working plans and specifications to the committee. Immediately following the meeting the plans will be submitted to the various contractors for bids. It is expected that bids will all be in within a month and that work will be started on the structure September 1.

Meeting Held Monday.

A joint meeting of the building committee and the trustees was held at the Spencer chapel Monday evening and the plans were discussed and approved. Tomorrow's meeting will provide for the final consideration of all details with the added information about the working plans which will be furnished by the architect's representative.

Woodbury & Stewart rank as foremost among church builders of the East. C. W. Spencer, chairman of the building committee, has been assured after the fullest investigation. The firm constructed within the last year 12 notable churches throughout New England and adjacent territory.

Building Fund Over \$43,000.

Up to the present time receipts from the building fund campaign held recently, total over \$43,000. While satisfactory to the committee more is expected, members of the committee stated today.

The Rutland News
August 20, 1925

STILL UNDECIDED ON CHURCH BIDS

Methodist Building Committee Soon to Award Two Contracts.

No decision has been reached by the building committee of the new Methodist church, of which C. W. Spencer is chairman, in regard to the bids on construction and heating which were received on August 14.

The committee received six or seven bids on construction and a few more than that number on heating. Information on certain points is being awaited before the committee will decide what bids to accept.

The church is to be built on Williams Street, corner of Chestnut Avenue and work is to be started in September.

ODD FELLOWS BUY OLD PALMER HOUSE

Killington Lodge Takes Title to Property On Court Square; Contemplates Erection of Brick Building For Lodge Rooms.

Killington Lodge of Odd Fellows will have a new home according to a warrantee deed filed at the office of the city clerk yesterday afternoon. That organization has purchased the Palmer House on Court Square for a consideration of \$7,000. In the rear of the building there is a parcel of land which was bought along with the house. On this land, the lodge contemplates the erection of a brick building which will contain the lodge rooms.

The Palmer house is one of the landmarks of the city and was built over 100 years ago. It is a two story frame structure with four rooms on each of the floors. In the house are eight fireplaces.

Wont Remodel Building.

The lodge does not expect to remodel the building. It will keep it as it is because of its age and because it is a landmark. It will be used as a reception building and clubhouse.

The filing of the warrantee deed

yesterday is the consummation of several weeks of deliberation as to whether or not the organization would purchase their property. At first, there was a joint committee from both Killington and Rutland lodges appointed to inquire into the available property in the city.

Option Taken Jointly.

Following deliberation, an option was taken on the Palmer property by both lodges. Shortly afterwards, a meeting was held but no definite action was taken at this time. Rutland Lodge, after consideration, decided not to enter into the purchase at the present time although members of Killington Lodge are in hopes that the other organization will see fit later to join with them in the enterprise.

For years past, the two lodges have set aside money each year for use as a building fund although nothing had been done up to now. It was said today that plans for the erection of the brick lodge building are still incomplete.

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July 3, 1925

ST. JAMES HOTEL SOLD YESTERDAY

**Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Morris of
Hotel Elmore Buy It
For \$30,000**

Another big real estate transaction in Rutland's business district was completed yesterday when Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Morris, proprietors of the Elmore, purchased the St. James Hotel on West Street from Gertrude French Bailey and Fred R. Bailey of this city. The transaction involved about \$30,000.

The hotel is one of the well known hostelrys in this section of the county and has been owned by the Baileys since 1907. It is a four-story wooden structure, with a brick addition on its east side. There are about 40 rooms in the building.

The hotel is now under the management of Walker & Martin, whose lease does not expire until next March.

The new owners are well known hotel people, having operated the Elmore Hotel for the last 10 years. Their plans for the management of the St. James Hotel when they assume possession of the building have not yet been completed.

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July 14, 1925

ECONOMY STORE TO OPEN FRIDAY

**It Will Be Located In New
Building On West St.; to
Carry Big Stock.**

A new department store will be opened at 154 West Street next to the New York Clothing Company and it will be known as the Economy Store, "The Store that Undersells." The building formerly occupied by Swyer's Furniture Store has been replaced by a modern building and now occupied by the Economy department store, which will open its doors to the public Friday with a big opening sale.

This store will carry a large and complete line of domestics, yard goods of all kinds, hosiery and underwear, men's, Women's and Children's Furnishings, toilet goods, neckwear, ribbons, novelties, gloves, bags, umbrellas, women's and misses' garments, millinery, waists, sweaters, house furnishings of all kinds, electrical appliances, records, trunks and bags.

In tomorrow's issue of this paper will appear a four-page advertisement of some of the bargains offered by this new store. It will be the largest advertisement ever run in a Rutland paper for the opening of a new store.

ORDERS FOUNDRY SOLD

Davis Plant Goes Under Hammer to Satisfy Creditors.

Superior Judge Sherman R. Moulton, presiding at a court of Chancery this morning at the Rutland County Court House, signed an order authorizing Receiver Walter A. Clark, of the Davis Foundry, to sell the property either at private sale or public auction. Before the sale is made the property will be advertised for three weeks.

The Davis Foundry Company, which is operated by Charles Davis of this city, during the War was one of the big industries of Rutland and it had a weekly payroll of many thousands of dollars.

Last January the Worcester Trust Company, of Worcester, Mass., trustee of the bond and mortgage holders, representing about \$40,000, petitioned Judge Moulton for the appointment of a temporary receiver, and at the hearing Judge Moulton appointed Walter A. Clark of this city. Since January many claims against the concern have been filed with the receiver and there have been no new assets located and petition for the sale of the property was made to the Court, which resulted in the hearing this morning and the order.

Receiver Clark said this morning that at present he knew of no prospective purchasers. However, it is known that it is one of the best foundry plants in Vermont and it would not be surprising to see some group of capitalists who need castings, look the plant over with the idea of again operating, which would be a big boom to Rutland. At the hearing this morning Lawrence, Stafford & Bloomer appeared for the Worcester Trust Company, and Attorney Frank D. White represented Mr. Davis.

The Rutland News
July 24, 1925

OLD GLEN MILL TO BE REPLACED

Landmark At Mill Village Has Changed In Owner- ship Many Times.

Within a short time the old Glen Mill Village, a landmark for more than a century, will have disappeared, its place having been taken by a modern dwelling house and garage. Leon F. Leonard, the present owner, bought the mill building last May when it was sold at auction after toppling over into East Creek, thus bringing it back into the Leonard family which has owned it for 35 years.

Property Sold Many Times

Some 60 years ago P. F. Vose and B. F. Butterfield conducted the mill, grinding grist there for several years. They sold it to one Royal Graves who some time later sold it to the late George Russell, father of Raymond of Russell of Mill Village. He, in turn, sold it to the late W. C. Leonard, Leon Leonard's father. A few years ago the F. R. Patch Manufacturing company bought and built near by its Glen Power station, later selling this to the Rutland Railway, Light & Power company. When the Patch company bought the property Mrs. W. C. Leonard or Mrs. Mattie E. Leonard, as she is now known rented the building from the new owners and continued selling grains there, grinding having been discontinued several years before. When the land and buildings were sold the power company retaining only the water power rights, Mrs. Leonard bought the land and her son the mill.

Will Occupy House.

When Mr. Leonard completes the house he will occupy it as a home, the garage being operated in connection with a "tourists home" conducted by his mother nearby, another example of the passing of the country mill period and the progress of the age of rapid travel marked by the automobile touring supply stations dotting the world's map and undreamed in the days of when the old mill was built.

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May 21, 1925

MILL VILLAGE MILL TUMBLES INTO POND

The old Glen Mill at Mill Village tumbled into its mill pond last night carrying with it a large stock of grain, and automobiles, sleighs, buggys, sleds and tools. The loss is estimated at several hundred dollars. Ice in the pond, breaking this spring, is believed to have loosened the supports of the structure.

The mill was used for storage purposes, Mrs. Hattie E. Leonard having a large supply of grain in the structure. Sidney Butterfield lost two automobiles. The building was owned by F. R. Patch. It was erected in 1877.

The Rutland News
August 28, 1925

MINTZER BUYS DAVIS FOUNDRY

AUCTION

Pursuant to an order of Hon. Sherman R. Moulton, Chancellor, dated August 4, 1925, I will sell at public auction on the premises No. 123 Post Street, City of Rutland, Vermont, at two o'clock in the afternoon, August 27, 1925, all of the real and personal property, including accounts receivable and office equipment, now in my hands as Receiver of said Charles E. Davis Foundry Co., Inc.

The real estate consists of two parcels, one on the east side of Post Street with a frontage on the Rutland Railroad of about one hundred and fifty (150) feet.

The other parcel is situated between Post and Spruce Streets, with a frontage on Post Street of about two hundred and forty-eight (248) feet and a frontage on Spruce Street of three hundred and fifty (350) feet.

On the parcel of land adjacent to the railroad there is a fine brick building with marble foundation affording excellent opportunities for shipping.

On the parcel located between Spruce and Post Streets, there is a fully equipped foundry plant with three cupolas, with a maximum capacity of thirty tons daily.

Terms of sale—Ten per cent deposit of purchase price at time of sale and balance in cash within ten days thereafter.

Sale—rain or shine.

WALTER A. CLARK, Receiver.
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PAYS \$15,700 FOR POST ST. PROPERTY

Plant Which Once Had Estimated Value of \$150,000, Employed 250 Men and Had Large Weekly Payroll, Sold On Court Order.

The Charles E. Davis Foundry Company property was sold at public auction yesterday afternoon for \$15,700 to Joseph Mintzer of this city. The sale included all of the real estate, a siding on the Rutland Railroad of about 150 feet, fixed machinery and a large quantity of other machinery and tools and an office building.

Property Once Worth \$150,000.

The value of the property some seven years ago when the concern was operating a force of 250 men was estimated at about \$150,000.

The property sold included a large brick factory building on the west side of Post Street, sold about 10 years ago to the Davis Foundry Company for \$8,500 and factory buildings on the east side of Post Street. About \$4,000 additional was realized from the sale of oil, pig iron, steel and foundry supplies.

Sold On Court Order.

The sale as conducted by Walter A. Clark, appointed receiver by Judge Frank D. Thompson. City Judge

Clayton H. Kinney was the auctioneer. He stated that the sale was subject to the approval of the Court of Chancery. The terms were 10 per cent at the time of purchase and balance upon delivery of property.

Trustees Foreclosed.

The sale undoubtedly marks the chapter in the career of a concern that during the war had a weekly payroll of many thousands of dollars. The company continued its operation up to about a year ago, when the Worcester, Mass., Trust Company, trustee for the bond holders, petitioned the court for a receiver. Lawrence, Stafford & Bloomer appeared for the trust company.

Many Attended Auction.

There were representatives of all of Rutland's leading industries present yesterday at the auction, but there were only a few bids.

It is possible that if the court approves of the sale of the property the new owner may sell the plant to a concern that will operate it as a foundry.

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August 25, 1925

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August 14, 1925

NEWBERRY STORE TO OPEN SEPT. 1

**Will Occupy Commodious
Quarters In the Badlam
Block On Center St.**

The new J. G. Newberry & Co. store in the G. E. L. Badlam Block on Center Street will be opened about September 1. Some of the fixtures have already arrived.

Fred H. Remington, in charge of construction, expects to complete the main floor by tomorrow evening and the sales room on the basement floor about a week later. The contractors have been employed 65 days on the building.

The store is one of the largest on Center Street and the main floor has about 4,000 feet of surface. The basement has about 1200 square feet of floor space. Representatives of J. G. Newberry & Co. are expected to arrive Saturday and will start Monday on the installation of fixtures.

The company operates a large chain of stores throughout the East.

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August 22, 1925

NEWBERRY STORE TO OPEN SEPT. 4

**Public Inspection Invited
On That Date; Open For
Business Sept. 5.**

The J. J. Newberry & Co. store at 41 Center Street, in the G. E. L. Badlam Block, will be opened to the public for inspection Sept. 4 from 3 till 5 o'clock in the afternoon and from 7.30 till 9 o'clock in the evening. An orchestra will furnish music.

The store which has been under construction for the past 10 weeks is nearly finished, and agents of the company are now installing the fixtures. The Newberry & Co. stores are located throughout the East. Rutland is the first place in this section where they have started a store. The concern is a five cent, 10 cent, 25 cent and \$1 department store.

The Rutland store will be under the management of V. A. Yerxa and he has already arrived here.

Carloads of merchandise are arriving in Rutland this week and will be on display on the opening date. The store will be opened for business on Sept. 5.

The Rutland News
June 8, 1925

BRIDGE COMMISSION DISCUSSES PROJECT

Members of Vermont-New York Board to Pass On Feasibility of Spanning Lake Champlain; Take Up Preliminary Investigation of Costs.

The New-York-Vermont Champlain bridge commission at a meeting with highway engineers of New York and Vermont here last week discussed preliminary investigations to be made into the costs of erecting a bridge across the lake. Five points at which the bridge might span Champlain have been suggested. After the meeting the New York commission announced the appointment of Carl F. Peterson of Port Henry, N. Y., as secretary of the New York group.

The joint commission was created this year by action of the New York and Vermont legislatures. It will study sites and make recommendations for the erection of the proposed structure.

After estimates of cost have been made by the engineers, they will report to the commission, which will arrange for public hearings with Chambers of Commerce in towns along the routes of the proposed sites. When these hearings have been concluded, the commission will make its decision on the site to recommend.

Five Sites Considered.

The original project was to build a vehicular bridge across Lake Champlain and four of the five locations have been suggested with this end in view. The fifth, the farthest north, is a proposed site for a combination vehicular and railroad span between West Swanton and Rouses Point, N. Y. It will be necessary to

construct two bridges if this site is located, one between West Swanton and Alburg and another between Alburg and Rouses Point.

The next proposed site from north to south is from Chimney Point to Crown Point park, N. Y., the western end to be located near the ruins of Fort St. Frederic. For this site are claimed natural advantages and network of highways from both sides of the lake. Other proposed sites are from West Bridgeport to Crown Point village, from Larrabee's Point to Montcalm, N. Y., and from Chipman's Point to Wrights, N. Y.

Conference Attendants.

Those who attended the conference were George Z. Thompson of Proctor, of the state highway board and chairman of the Vermont Lake Champlain bridge commission; William R. Warner of Vergennes, former member of the Vermont public service commission; Charles E. Schaff of St. Albans, member of a former commission on the proposed bridge, which reported to the last Vermont legislature; State Highway Engineer H. E. Sargeant, Senator Mortimer Y. Ferris, chairman of the New York commission; Senator Duncan T. O'Brien, Assemblyman H. Fred L. Porter and Assemblyman H. A. Bartholomew of the New York commission, Frank R. Lanagan, deputy state engineer of New York; Colonel Frederick S. Greene, New York state superintendent of public works, and A. W. Brandt, New York state commissioner of highways.

The Rutland News
July 13, 1925

Bridge Commission To Meet July 21st

**New York and Vermont Board Will Hold Hearings On
Feasibility of Spanning Lake Champlain In
One or More Places.**

The special commission of New York and Vermont created by their respective legislatures the past session to study the feasibility of one or more bridges to span Lake Champlain will hold hearings on this project starting, July 21st.

On Tuesday the 21st, the commissioners will meet at Montcalm Landing where they will take the steamer Vermont for Bluff Point, spending the night at Hotel Champlain. At 8:30 that evening they will meet with a delegation from the Plattsburgh Chamber of Commerce.

Will Motor to St. Albans.

On Wednesday, the 22nd, the commissioners will motor direct to St. Albans, where a hearing will be held at noon. Following the hearing the commissioners will visit Rouses Alburg and West Swanton, the proposed site for the northern bridge. After viewing the site at these places, the commissioners will motor to Burlington. A hearing will be held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms at 8 o'clock that evening. The commissioners will spend the night in Burlington.

Will Meet In Middlebury.

On Thursday the 23rd, the commissioners will motor to Middlebury, where a hearing will be held at 9 a. m. Following the hearing at Middlebury the commissioners will mo-

tor to Chimney Point where they will take the Ferry to Fort St. Frederic, where they will view the site of that place, one of the proposed sites for the southern bridge. The commissioners will also visit the Crown Point State Reservation. The site at Crown Point will be viewed. From Crown Point the commissioners will motor to Port Henry for noon luncheon. A hearing will be held at Port Henry at 3 p. m. The commissioners will spend the night at Port Henry.

To Visit Proposed Sites.

Friday, the 24th, the commissioners will motor to Wrights and Fort Ticonderoga, two other of the proposed sites of the southern bridge. They will also visit the ruins at Fort Ticonderoga. Noon luncheon will be held at Ticonderoga, at 3 p. m. The commissioners will spend the night at Ticonderoga. On Saturday, the 25th, a trip through Lake George has been arranged.

It is expected, including the commissioners of both states, that twenty will make the trip. Commissioner M. Y. Ferris, chairman of the New York commission, will have charge of the hearings in New York, and Commissioner George Z. Thompson, chairman of the Vermont commission, will have charge of the hearings in Vermont.

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July 23, 1925

ATTEND SESSION OF BRIDGE COMMISSION

Members of Rutland Chamber of Commerce Urge That
If Champlain Span Is Built It Be From Benson
or Orwell to Ticonderoga, N. Y.

Herman W. Vaughan, Henry O. state engineer; John Larkin, representative of the New York Evening Sun. Carpenter, George E. Chalmers and Albert S. Reed, representing the Rutland Chamber of Commerce, attended a hearing at 11 o'clock this morning before the New York-Vermont Champlain Bridge Commission, and strongly stressed the advisability of having the proposed bridge erected from the section of Lake Champlain near Benson and Orwell to Ticonderoga, N. Y. Their views were supported by the Brandon Chamber of Commerce and others.

Present At Hearing.

The members of the bridge commissions in the two states, all of whom were present at the hearing, are: Vermont, George Z. Thompson of Proctor, William R. Warner of Vergennes and Charles E. Schoff of St. Albans; New York, Mortimer Y. Ferris of Ticonderoga, chairman, Senator Duncan T. O'Brien of New York city, and Assemblyman Fred L. Porter of Crown Point, Herbert Bartholomew of Whitehall, Samuel I. Rosenman of New York city, and C. F. Peterson of Port Henry, secretary. With the party also are Frank R. Lanagan of Albany, N. Y., deputy

Would Be Drawbridge.

One of the important points brought out at the meeting by Chairman Thompson was that the United States Government has given notice that it will require an 85-foot clearance if the bridge is built without a draw. There seems to be no point on the lake, Chairman Thompson said, where an 85-foot clearance if the bridge is built without a draw. There seems to be no point on the lake, Chairman Thompson said, where an 85-foot clearance would be practical from an engineering standpoint, so it is likely if a bridge were constructed, it would have to be a drawbridge.

Larrabee's Point Favored.

Some members of the New York State commission favor Larrabee's point as the best place for the bridge. There is a vast amount of traffic over the ferries at that point.

The commission left this afternoon for Port Henry, N. Y., where a similar hearing will be held this evening and tomorrow a hearing will be held at Ticonderoga, N. Y.

CHAMPLAIN SPAN WOULD AID STATE

INTEREST GROWS IN PROPOSED MEASURE

**Public Opinion Favors Building Span At Southern End
of Lake; Ticonderoga, Crown Point or Chimney
Point Are Likely Places.**

There is a growing interest in the proposal to bridge Lake Champlain and whether the project is authorized by the next Vermont Legislature or some subsequent Legislature. sooner or later the bridge is likely to become a reality, because it will serve a large number of people and bring more visitors into Vermont. One cannot tell how soon revenue from tolls would pay interest on bonds and provide for a sinking fund to care for them at maturity.

It is safe to predict that the travel over such a bridge would be heavy and that it would steadily increase. If it can be demonstrated that there is a reasonable prospect that such a bridge can be made to pay for itself in time, or can be made to pay for a major part of its cost, then there is a probability that legislative assent will be given.

Favor Bridge At Southern Part.

At the present time public opinion seemed to favor a bridge across the southern part of the lake, at Ticonderoga, Crown Point, or Chimney Point. More routes center at Ticonderoga than at the other points mentioned, but Crown Point and Chimney Point are nearer the upper Adirondack region. Tourists from New York city and other points in southern and central New York may easily make a circuit of Adirondack resorts without having to turn south again many miles to reach any of the proposed bridge sites.

Two Crown Points.

One may easily become confused in the two Crown Points. There is a point of land, or cape, extending into Lake Champlain in the extreme northern part of the town of Crown Point, and opposite Chimney Point. This is the site of the old French and English forts of Colonial days and here the New York, Vermont monument of Samuel Champlain stands. About six miles farther south is the village of Crown Point. If the bridge were erected at Chimney Point the Vermont outlet would be through Vergennes.

Narrowest Point of Crossing.

There is a marshy region just south which prevents the building of a road directly east. The crossing from Crown Point village to West Bridport is said to be at the narrowest point proposed and the easiest location for bridge building. A

town road extending east for about five miles connects at Bridport village with a trunk line road extending north from Fair Haven to Vergennes. By improving another link of country road a few miles long, connection would be made with another trunk line route from Manchester north to Vergennes by way of the Rutland county lakes and Sudbury.

Other Connecting Routes.

The New York routes from Saratoga and Glens Falls to Lake George and Elizabethtown meet at Ticonderoga, an east and west road from Schroon lake and the Adirondacks. From Larraabee's Point opposite Ticonderoga, a state road leads by way of Cornwall to the Sudbury route to Vergennes and also by another road to Middlebury. From Montcalm Landing, a little south of Larraabee's Point, a state road leads through Orwell and Sudbury to Brandon. The tourist may turn south to Rutland or north to Burlington, or may cross the mountain by the Rochester pass to Bethel, from which place excellent roads lead to Montpelier, Woodstock, White River Junction and Plymouth. The development of New York sentiment will be watched with interest as that state is likely to pay considerably more than half the cost.

MEET TO DISCUSS BRIDGING LAKE

Albany Gathering Is Con-
sidering Five Different
Locations.

(By The Associated Press.)

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 3.—Five possible sites for the proposed bridge over Lake Champlain between the State of New York and Vermont were under consideration today by the New York-Vermont Bridge Commission in session here. The plans call for a structure at an estimated cost of from \$200,000 to \$1,200,000. The five sites are at Chimney Point, Crown Point, Larrabee Point, Wright's and Fort Ticonderoga.

Samuel Arnowitz, New York State Commander of the American Legion, informed the commission that the Legion had gone on record as favoring a bridge with its New York terminus near Port Henry.

The Rutland Chamber of Commerce Committee, composed of Herman W. Vaughan, George E. Chalmers and Albert S. Reed, are strongly in favor of the bridge being constructed at Larrabee's Point and the Rutland Chamber of Commerce has gone on record as favoring having the bridge built at that place.

The local committee met with the joint bridge commission several times during the past year and arguments for the building of the bridge at all sections of the lake were received.

The Burlington Chamber of Commerce have endorsed the building of the bridge at Chimney Point which is about 10 miles north of Larrabee's Point.

The Rutland News
September 14, 1925

POLLEY TO CLIMB GRYPHON BUILDING

Original Human Fly and
"Wolfe," the Movie Dog
Pay Visit to Rutland.

George G. Polley of Richmond, Va., the original Human Fly, arrived in Rutland yesterday for a brief stay. Tomorrow night at 6 o'clock sharp he will climb the corner of the Gryphon Building at West Street and Merchants Row. He will do a headstand on the cornice of the building, will hang by one elbow from the window sills, and will perform other stunts in connection with the ascent.

Polley, who has been a climber for 17 years, has climbed 21 buildings in New York City, including the Woolworth Building and the McAlpin Hotel. He has scaled the City Halls in Portland, Me., and Providence, R. I., the Little Building in Boston and hundreds of other buildings throughout the United States.

Polley came to Rutland from Springfield where he has been working in pictures for the Doris Film Company. There are six others in his party, staying at Hotel Bardwell, including "Wolfe," celebrated dog star of the movies. "Wolfe," has such accomplishments as turning off electric lights, answering telephones and so forth. He is recovering from a wound in his head received when he fell 25 feet and landed on rocks while taking part in the making of motion pictures at Springfield.

The Rutland News
September 15, 1925

HUMAN FLY WILL CLIMB CORNER OF GRYPHON BUILDING AT 6 P. M.

George G. Polley of Richmond, Va., the Human Fly, will climb the corner of the Gryphon Building at Merchants Row and West Street tonight at 6 o'clock. Polley and a party of friends are visiting in Rutland. They have been engaged in making a motion picture a few miles out

of Springfield, and will return there tomorrow to resume picture work. During tonight's climb members of the Fraternal Order of Eagles will take up a collection among the spectators, a percentage of the proceeds to be used for the lodge's charity work.

The Rutland News
September 17, 1925

POLLEY TO CLIMB GRYPHON TONIGHT

Human Fly Will Undertake
Feat Even If There Is a
Drizzling Rain.

George G. Polley, Human Fly, who since Monday has been waiting for weather that would permit him to climb the Gryphon Building, Merchants Row and West Street, announced today that he would make the climb this afternoon at 6 o'clock.

The climb was postponed from Tuesday because of rain and yesterday again caused postponement.

Polley stated this noon that he would make the climb this afternoon even if there should be a drizzling rain. "Nothing but a hard rain will prevent my making the climb today," he said, "as I am leaving the city tomorrow."

The Rutland News
December 5, 1925

SPARGO TELLS OF FIRST VT. EDITOR

Anthony Haswell Had Picturesque Career and Was In Jail Here.

John Spargo of Old Bennington, economist and sociologist, has been in town the last few days, conferring with the Tuttle Co., on his book, "Anthony Haswell—Printer, Patriot and Ballader," which the company is going to publish before Christmas.

Mr. Spargo, whom the News reporter found in Tuttle's old book room, explained that the book is to be a monument to the man, of whom the memory, as a great pioneer printer and publisher, deserves to be perpetuated. It is to be of large quarto size, will contain 300 pages, and many full-page engravings and fac-similes of Haswell's manuscripts, books, and pamphlets. The paper is made from all linen rags, special type is being used, and the book will have a fine binding. "It will be the finest piece of book-making ever turned out in Vermont," said Mr. Spargo.

The edition will be limited to 300 autographer copies, and then the type will be distributed.

Here is the story of Anthony Haswell as told by Mr. Spargo:

Born in England.

Anthony Haswell was born in Portsmouth, England, and came to Boston as a boy of 12. He was apprenticed to a potter. He began his literary career at the age of 13 or 14 by writing verses for The Sons of Liberty, a patriotic American secret society that arose at the time of the Revolution.

A little later, he was apprenticed to Isaiah Thomas, the most famous of the early New England printers, who had shops at Boston and Worcester. In 1780, Haswell leased from Thomas The Massachusetts Spy, the most influential paper in Massachusetts, for one year.

At this time, there was only one small newspaper in the Republic of Vermont, and the leaders of the state government wanted another,—

one that would print their pamphlets, legal documents, etc. So they asked Anthony Haswell to come to Bennington, and finally persuaded him, promising him public patronage in his printing and the monopoly of the right to establish a postal system.

Postmaster General of Vermont.

So, in 1783, Haswell went to Bennington taking with him a hand press, a small supply of type, a wife and two children, and his native energy. He opened a printing shop, and carried out the agreement. Governor Chittenden appointed him postmaster general of Vermont. This position he held until Vermont came into the Union in 1791.

On June 5, 1783, he established the Vermont Gazette at Bennington. This paper continued well into the 19th century, and branched out.

Started Paper Here.

While running the Vermont Gazette and the postal system at Bennington, he established a paper and print shop at Rutland, in 1792. This was called the Rutland Herald, and was the first newspaper in Rutland. After a few months, the building was burned down. Haswell, however, was reimbursed by a lottery granted by the state.

Anthony Haswell wrote a great number of books and pamphlets, which are much sought after by collectors today. Among his books is "Memoirs of Capt. Phelps." The bibliography of Mr. Spargo's book contains the titles of over 200 books, pamphlets, and magazines by Haswell.

He was something of an orator in patriotic celebrations and public speeches. As a poet he was a prolific verse writer, and wrote many songs and ballads of a patriotic, religious, or Masonic character. The Battle of Bennington, and episodes in the War of 1812, such as the victory on Lake Champlain, were subjects of his verses. These works were not very high from a literary standpoint, but, compared to the other ballad writers of his day, they were well above the average.

In Jail Here.

Haswell once spent the night in jail in Rutland. He was one of the first victims of the Alien and Sedition laws of John Adams' administration, as the result of stoutly defending another man, who was the first in this state to be accused of violating them. Haswell was sentenced to a \$200 fine and two months in jail. He was first imprisoned in Rutland, but after a day or two in this city, his influential friends got him removed to Bennington, where things were more comfortable for him. At the end of his sentence, he was greeted with a celebration and rejoicing.

He died in 1816.

No man that ever lived in southern Vermont influenced more greatly the cultural development than Anthony Haswell, said Mr. Spargo.

NEWBERRY OPENS BIG STORE TO MEET SECTION'S NEEDS

**Big Retailers Select Rutland As Ideal Spot In Which
to Locate Store With 32,000 Different
Items.**

This year the people of Rutland and all visitors to the Fair will be treated to something new. The J. J. Newberry Co., operators of a chain of stores all over the eastern part of the United States, have added their eighty-first link at 41 Center Street, Rutland.

This new 5c, 10c, 25c, and \$1 store is located in the building where G. E. L. Badlam formerly operated a grocery store.

A large addition has been constructed at the rear. The basement of this addition will be used as a salesroom; the main floor merely increases the floor space on the street level to a considerable degree.

This greatly increased floor space, on the street level and in the basement, affords the Newberry Co. adequate floor and counter space in which to display their large and varied lines of merchandise.

The visitor will find values spread over board counters from the front counter to the very last counter in the rear of the basement salesroom.

The large buying power of the Newberry Co. enables this concern to place such big values before the public that the visitor, not only at Fair time but thereafter, will find it especially advantageous to avail himself of the many buying opportunities offered by this concern.

All goods are openly displayed on top of sales counters where they may easily be inspected.

The Newberry Co. takes special pride in the service, prompt and courteous, accorded the customers and one of the policies of this concern is to hire help enough to attend to the wants of its customers.

This firm maintains a complete candy department where goods are received fresh daily.

The jewelry department is always full of snappy numbers and all the latest fads.

Double disc phonograph records are on sale at all times. They include all the latest song hits and

jazz hits.

Stationery may be found for the home, the office or the school.

Children's ready made suits, rompers and dresses are very reasonably priced.

The toilet goods department always arouses the interest of the public and this place of the business has not been slighted a particle.

A complete line of laces, ribbons and stamped goods is displayed for the customer's benefit.

A notions department has been well stocked for women who are constantly in need of these goods.

Dry goods are here in large lots.

A fine, high grade line of slick underwear is on display. Plenty of yard goods and also high grade toweling and towels are in stock at all times. In the household goods department one may find any article needed to do house cleaning.

The hardware counter is designed especially to interest the man. The lines are complete in every form. Connected with this department are full lines of automobile accessories. Special attention has been paid to this department in order to provide a full line for the motorist.

Electrical goods for any man who is wiring a home may be found.

There is no end to the big values found in the enamelware, tinware and aluminumware departments.

A high grade line of crockery, including many dainty patterns, may be found. It will pay any person wanting a set of dishes to visit the Newberry store.

The glassware department offers the public anything from a castor cup to a fine line of cut glass.

The toy department, of course, is designed especially to interest the children. It is complete in every respect.

The Newberry Co. prides itself on service, quality and the right prices. The management extends an invitation to the public to inspect the goods and the prices at which they are marked.

MAY CONSOLIDATE FIRE STATIONS; QUARTERING BOTH AT CITY HALL

The Rutland News
December 24, 1925

As a measure of economy, Rutland Fire Station No. 2, located on Center Street, may in the near future be transferred to the fire department quarters at City Hall. Fire Station No. 2 will be turned over to the school authorities. The consolidation plans will be considered by the Finance Committee and the Fire Committee, who will investigate the present equipment and needs of the Department, including a new ladder truck.

Several aldermen have expressed an opinion favoring the consolidation of the two companies. It would require additional sleeping quarters at Fire Station No. 2. If the court-room in the City Hall is abandoned, this room and the large room used as a jury room would furnish the department additional sleeping quarters at very little expense. It is also pointed out that at present Station No. 1 answers about two-thirds of the calls and the change would give more men and equipment for each fire call.

COLONY HOUSE IN THRIVING SHAPE

Present 14 Girls Are Being Cared For At the Home.

The State Colony House on Columbian Avenue is a great success. Girls selected from the more promising inmates of the Vermont State School for the Feeble-Minded are placed here, where the environment is more favorable for their advancement. Mrs. Augustus Phillips, matron, says that the girls are very happy in their new home, well-behaved, neat, and obedient.

The State Colony is at present caring for 14 girls, ranging in age from 18 to 36. Of these, four work in the shirt factory, two help take care of their house and the rest have outside housekeeping jobs. They do their work well and are industrious. They also sew, embroider, do fancy work, and make their own clothes.

Considerable Liberty.

These girls are allowed considerable liberty, as they go to and from work unaccompanied and may shop in town or go to the moving pictures without supervision. They don't very often leave, however, unless they have to, and then are only too glad to get back to the "family." Although they would be allowed to go out at night, they have never cared to. They regard Mrs. Phillips as a mother, are always cheerful in the house, and never disobey her.

Teaches Them Responsibility.

The aim of this establishment is to teach these girls to be thrown on their own responsibility and educate them to earn their own living, so that they may be turned out into the world to shift for themselves.

The house itself is absolutely spick and span and gets a large amount of sunshine through its large windows. The sleeping quarters are roomy, there being two cot beds in each large bed room. All these bed rooms, incidentally, are in faultless order. The living room is cheerfully furnished and contains a phonograph and some packs of cards, with which the girls amuse themselves in their leisure hours.

AGENT FAVORS NEW POSTOFFICE HERE AFTER INSPECTION

IS SILENT ON LIBRARY SWAP

News Learns on Good Authority That Federal Engineer Believes Present Facilities Are Inadequate.

A report favoring a new postoffice here has been submitted to the Treasury Department by E. C. Schurig, a Government construction engineer who was in Rutland several days ago investigating the situation. This was learned on good authority today.

The question as to whether the engineer gave a favorable report on the proposed exchange of the Rutland Free Library for the Federal Court building is problematical.

Engineer Schurig when in Rutland conferred with Fred A. Field, sr., of the Chamber of Commerce Committee, Postmaster Charles H. West, Mayor Dunn and other city officials. He gave these men little information here regarding his report, other than his conclusion that the present postoffice was inadequate. He was shown blue prints and drawings of the two buildings and also made measurements of the properties.

The principal obstacle to the trade is that the present United States Court House is valuable. Further he considered the present building entirely adequate for all the government offices and it would cost the Government a large sum to construct a building here to replace the present one.

The Rutland News
October 29, 1925

TO BUILD NURSES' HOME

Work Will Be Started On
\$35,000 Structure In
Early Spring.

Ground will be broken in the early spring for the erection of a modern 25 room nurses' home on the northern section of the Rutland Hospital property on Nichols Street. The work will cost about \$50,000.

The plans for the structure were drawn by Arthur H. Smith, architect. They have been submitted to the Hospital directors. Under the plans the front of the building would be constructed of a fine grade of pressed brick, and the side walls of stucco.

The Hospital has \$12,000 in treasury derived from the sale of the Bailey House on North Main Street, which was purchased over a year ago for a nurses' home, and later sold to I. M. Frost when it was decided not to use the building for this purpose.

The Rutland News
October 30, 1925

\$200,000 BUILDING PLANNED

St. Joseph's Convent Property Will Be Extensively Improved Soon.

Ground will probably be broken on March, 19, the Feast of St. Joseph's, for the imposing \$200,000 addition to Mount St. Joseph's Convent. The Sisters of St. Joseph have been authorized to build the addition by Bishop Rice.

The plans and drawings of the proposed addition to the Convent are still in the hands of the architect. However, it will be constructed of brick with marble trimmings. It will be located at the Easterly section of the present Convent property and it will be joined to the present building by an arcade, probably of colonial design.

Already some excavation work has been completed. The houses located East of the Convent, which for the past three years have been used for school purposes, have been moved. One of the houses was moved to the Convent farm, next to the Loretta Home. It is used for school purposes. The older building was sold and has been moved to another part of the city.

Convent Owns Much Land

St. Joseph's Convent has many thousand dollars worth of valuable land and buildings in that section of the city. The main convent property, including the land on which the addition is to be erected, has a frontage of about 500 feet on Convent avenue.

Many More Students

The new addition will be used for the accommodations of the sisters and pupils of the Convent, the registration of students having greatly increased during the past few years.

History of the Convent

Through the efforts of the late Rev. Charles Boylan, founder and builder of St. Peter's Church, Mother Austin, and five sisters of Flushing, N. Y., in 1873 came to Rutland and opened a mission house on Meadow Street. They remained in the house for three years and in 1876 Mother Phillip opened it as a mother house and independent of the Flushing, N. Y., order, which was really responsible for the founding of the local St. Joseph's Convent.

The activities of the sisters, coupled with their good work among the parish, greatly pleased the male members of St. Peter's Church and on July 4, 1876, ground was broken for the erection of Mount St. Joseph's Convent. The cornerstone was laid in 1879, and the Sisters of St. Joseph moved their residence to the St. Joseph's Convent, February, 2, 1882.

Started Schools

In 1882 the Sisters started St. Peter's School, and in 1886 they started a school on Killington Avenue, now the Holy Innocents School. In 1903, the Sisters started the St. Peter's Commercial School.

In 1876 the Sisters of St. Joseph branched out somewhat and established the St. Francis DeSales School at Bennington, and in 1893 the Sacred Heart School at Bennington. The sisters conducted a school at Whitehall, N. Y., from 1887 to 1892, and from 1908 to 1913 a school at Connellsville, Pa., when they gave up that school to open the new school at Bellows Falls.

At present in all of the missions of the Sisters of St. Joseph there are more than 2100 children under their supervision. Out of a total of 125 sisters of the order, 99 are living. The sisters also have charge of the Loretta home, and act as instructors to the Catholic children of all Rutland County in churches and schools.

RUTLAND FAIR HAD ITS BEST SEASON

From An Inconsequential Beginning It Has Become the
Third Largest Fair in New England, With Reputation for Its Racing Program.

Rutland's Fair last fall was the best ever held here. Although the week's weather was such that it interfered with some of the racing events, the track program was the best ever arranged by the Fair management. The Midway attractions and the various departmental exhibits attained a standard of quality exceeding even the high standards of previous years. And the attendance was the largest ever.

First Rutland Fair.

The first Fair was held at Castleton in 1846. For several years the Fair was held about Rutland County in various towns. The Fair records begin in 1865 under the presidency of Pitt W. Hyde. In this year the Fair was a great success as the management took in a total of \$455 and spent \$450.50 leaving a balance in the treasury of \$4.50.

The Fair continued under the Rounds, the Kelloggs, the Lathrops and the Burditts until 1876 when Horace H. Dyer was elected president and took in gross receipts of \$884 and spent \$416. From this point Henry Clark, N. F. Sprague, H. D. Noble, Seneca Root, J. L. Billings and in 1888 Hon. Redfield Proctor assumed the burden and collected \$3216 and spent \$3489.

Others Active In Fair Work.

From this point on S. E. Griffith, W. C. Landon, Fletcher D. Proctor, George T. Chaffee took over the burden and in 1897 Mr. Chaffee demonstrated to the world that a Fair could be operated with receipts of \$4881.36 and that all of the money

to a penny could be spent in putting on a successful Fair.

Following this period of prosperity, C. W. Winslow, Dr. John A. Mead, H. O. Carpenter, D. D. Burditt and H. E. Colburne were responsible for the success and the income was carried up to \$12,000 with the expense a like amount. This was the Fair of 1908, and the first year of F. M. Wilson's activities.

Income Increases.

From 1910 to 1913 the Fair was operated with an increasing income, the total receipts increasing to around \$20,000, until 1914, when Mr. Wilson became the president the year's receipts amounted to \$24,000. The new era of prosperity starting in 1908 continued and the Fair began to increase in importance very rapidly.

From 1914 to 1920, under Mr. Wilson's administration, the receipts increased to \$43,000. Many buildings were put up, the principal ones being the Grand Stand, the cattle barns, the Arts and Crafts building as well as many smaller buildings.

Fair Debt-Free In 1920.

In 1920 all of the debts were paid leaving the Fair free and clear with a substantial cash balance in the treasury. From that time to the present, President Will L. Davis has been at the helm and the Fair has steadily shown an increase.

During the period the program of construction, started under President Wilson's administration, has continued and upwards of \$50,000 has been spent in improvements and betterments to buildings and grounds, the principal items being represented in additional cattle barns, horse barns, the automobile building and the new industrial building built in 1924. This has resulted in the Rutland Fair having the best equipped Fair grounds in the East.

The Rutland News
September 1, 1925

AVIATION BARRED AT RUTLAND FAIR

Four Deaths In 1922 Ended Stunt Flying For Some Time.

Aerial stunts at the Rutland Fair have been abandoned by the management because, three years ago, the week here was marred by four tragedies when three aviators and a balloonist lost their lives in one day.

The famous Flying Parson, Belvin W. Maynard, was the best known of the four.

Maynard was undertaking a trial spin one morning with two companions. As they were soaring over the landing field near the Fair Grounds hundreds of persons heard the motor stop and saw the plane shortly thereafter nose dive to the earth. The plane dived approximately 1000 feet.

While one or two of the plane's occupants still breathed all were dead within a few minutes. The

Flying Parson's tragic end was broadcast throughout the United States and the story featured the newspapers all over the country for a day or two.

At about the time these aviators ascended a balloonist was making a trial flight from another point on the Fair Grounds. When several hundred feet in the air the balloonist jumped. The parachute, with which he was equipped, failed to open with the result that the balloonist was killed the instant he struck the ground.

This ended all flying at the Rutland Fair and it is probable that aerial stunts will not be offered until flying has become a safer vocation than at present.

Prior to these four tragedies, or some 10 years ago, there was another aerial fatality at the Fair.

The Rutland News
September 5, 1925

The building of the band stand across the track in front of the grand stand is another great improvement to Rutland's Fair Grounds.

The Rutland News
September 7, 1925

HUGE MIDWAY HAS VARIED FEATURES

Brown & Dyer Shows Offer Latest Novelties In Tented Amusement.

The feature attractions on the midway at the Rutland Fair which opened today, are the famous Brown and Dyer Shows. These shows comprise the largest tented amusement enterprises of their kind.

Employ 300 People.

The shows carry 300 people, 30 double length all steel railroad cars and full equipment of electric and lighting systems, blacksmith shop and everything else needed to facilitate the operation of the enterprise.

Among the various riding devices which number ten, is the Dangler, recently imported from Europe, the Caterpillar, the ride with a lasting thrill, Merry Mix-up of Chair-a-Plane, and others; three Kiddie Rides and the usual Ferris Wheel and Merry-go-round. The Rocky Road to Dublin is also a novel ride.

Exhibit Many Curiosities.

The circus side shows and museum have amassed a large gathering of shining lights from the circus world, with its congress of freaks, curiosities and strange people; among the most notable, Prince Randion, the armless and legless wonder, who rolls a cigarette and shaves himself with an ordinary straight razor in spite of his impediments; Bill, the smallest man alive; Mary and John, Siamese twins; Baby Irene, who weighs 612 pounds and is only 17 years old, and a host of others.

The Ragtime Steppers and Dixie Dandies, a galaxy of Ethiopian performers recruited from such colored musical triumphs as the "Chocolate Dandies," "Shuffle Along," "Seven Eleven," is another feature. These are only a few of the attractions that grace the midway.

PRESIDENT'S FATHER IS LAID TO REST TODAY

The Rutland News
March 20, 1926

SNOW AND ICY ROADS IN HILLS

Hearse Which Conveys
Body Is Mounted On
Runners.

LAST TRIBUTE

Vermont Guardsmen Act
As Bearers At Last Rites
In Plymouth.

(By The Associated Press.)

Plymouth, March 20.—Col. John C. Coolidge, father of the President, was buried this afternoon from the little white farmhouse that has been his lifetime home. A simple funeral service was held at 2 o'clock with the Rev. John White of Sherburne reading the Episcopal service of burial. There was no music and no eulogy. The Plymouth neighbors and as many others as space allowed, were admitted. Immediately after the interment in the ancient cemetery here, President Coolidge and his party started for Woodstock where a special train is waiting to take them back to Washington.

Col. Coolidge left no will. The ancestral farm and other properties were transferred to President Coolidge about three weeks ago.

A snowstorm swept over the green mountains of Vermont today as President Coolidge traveled over a treacherous road part of the way in an open sleigh from Woodstock to Plymouth to attend the funeral of his father. The snow, wet and almost blinding, fell incessantly after it had rained throughout the night and made the roads next to impassable.

Drive Through Storm.

In the face of the storm the President and Mrs. Coolidge, accompanied by their son, John, started from the Woodstock Inn where they spent the night over the 16 mile winding road to this hamlet four hours before the time set for the funeral. They arrived here at 11:40 o'clock having been on the road nearly two hours.

Flowers Arrive.

Just before their arrival a sled-load of flowers reached the farmhouse from Washington. The floral pieces, including a bank of lilies which the President had ordered sent, and a spray of pink roses arranged for by Mrs. Coolidge. Other pieces were tributes from government officials and friends in the Capital and from the crew of the Mayflower, the presidential yacht.

Plymouth neighbors had placed on the casket which rested in the small parlor a spray of Calla Lilies, another cluster of flowers coming from the Grange in which the Colonel was active for years.

Entering the house the President and Mrs. Coolidge went into the parlor to gaze down again at the dead. The casket was 10 feet from the spot in the sitting room where before dawn on an August morning in 1923 the Colonel administered the oath of President to his only son.

Meanwhile at Plymouth last minute arrangements were being made for the funeral to be held in the Coolidge farmhouse.

Hearse On Runners.

A hearse mounted on runners and drawn by two black horses had come over the road from Woodstock. The Rev. John White of the nearby village of Sherburne had made his way here to conduct the services.

A grave had been dug in the hill-side cemetery a quarter of a mile from Col. Coolidge's home and a lane through the snow was kept open for the funeral party. A detachment of Vermont National Guardsmen was on duty here, six of the militiamen having been designated to carry the body to its resting place.

The Rutland News
January 23, 1923

DUNN OPPOSES MERGER OF 2 FIRE STATIONS

**Aldermanic Plan Wrong in Principle, Thinks Mayor,
Who for Years Has Studied Fire Fighting
Problems In Rutland.**

Mayor Dunn is opposed to consolidation of the two Rutland Fire Department stations. He said today that he had investigated the situation, talked with chiefs of the Fire Departments of several cities in New England, and everyone voiced objection to the principle of the proposal to do away with the Center Street station.

A resolution adopted at the last meeting of the Board of Aldermen, leaves the matter in the hands of the Fire Committee and the Mayor to investigate and report at a future meeting.

Mayor Dunn is well versed on the Rutland Fire Department. He has been in close touch with the Department during the time he has served as Mayor, and, prior to that, he was head of the Department for many years.

It is believed in insurance circles that the proposed consolidation might mean increasing instead of decreasing the insurance rates of the City, and that the New England Fire Insurance Exchange would be opposed to it.

The Board of Aldermen is divided on the subject.

The Rutland News
January 25, 1926

KOLTONSKI AGAINST FIRE CONSOLIDATION

**Chief Believes Suggested Arrangement Would Be Less
Efficient Than Present One Without Any
Compensating Benefit.**

Fire Chief A. H. Koltonski, asked this morning his views on the proposed consolidation of the two stations of the Fire Department, said that, in his opinion, the consolidation of the two stations would decrease the efficiency of the department without any compensating benefit.

He pointed out that hundreds of

thousands of dollars have been expended in the erections of homes in the north and northeast sections of the city, and Station 2 served much of this locality. He also pointed out that there was little room at the present Station 1 quarters for the housing of the Station 2 equipment.

The Rutland News
January 28, 1926

ROBERTS AGAINST FIRE DEPT. MERGER

Would Increase Fire Insurance Rates Rather Than Lower Them.

Commissioner of Public Safety Fred C. Roberts, said yesterday that he was not in favor of the proposed consolidation of the two Rutland Fire Departments at the City Hall headquarters. Commissioner Roberts by virtue of his office, is head of the Fire and Police Departments.

He said that he believes a consolidation of the two fire departments would result in the New England Fire Insurance Exchange increasing the fire insurance rates of Rutland rather than lowering them.

Mr. Roberts pointed out that the New England Fire Insurance Exchange required certain standards of fire protection and the rates were based on these requirements being carried out.

Some years ago, he said, engineers of the New England Exchange, following an inspection of Rutland, suggested that a third station should be constructed in the city.

Commissioner Roberts said that when he first assumed his duties as head of the Public Safety Department, he was of the opinion that a consolidation of the two fire departments might be a good improvement, but, a thorough investigation convinced him that the merger would not improve the standards of fire protection.

He also pointed out that the consolidation would be a very expensive proposition for the city, as it would mean making over the City Hall headquarters.

The Rutland News
March 20, 1926

CENTER ST. LAND BRINGS \$900 A FOOT

14 Feet Frontage and 75
Depth Sold For
\$12,000.

MINTZER BUYS

Transaction Is Recorded At
City Clerk's Office
Today.

Joseph Mintzer of this city yesterday purchased of Mrs. Katherine A. Johnson, Henry O. Carpenter and Fred A. Field, the store property on Center Street, now occupied by the Claude Pitcher Tailoring Company, according to papers filed at the City Clerk's office. The deal represented approximately \$12,000, nearly \$1000 per front foot.

It is probable that there will be no change in the building for sometime as the present lease of the Pitcher establishment does not expire until 1928.

The frontage is 14 feet and the depth is 75 feet, according to the last appraisal of the city.

The Rutland News
March 13, 1926

RIVER ST. BRIDGE COST \$57,483.71

One Half of this Cost Was
Paid by Rutland and
D. & H. Railroads.

The complete cost of the River Street viaduct, was \$57,483.71, according to records on file at the Public Works Department. The City paid one half of the cost and the other half was paid by the Rutland Railroad and the Delaware & Hudson railroads. Engineers who have inspected the bridge have pronounced it a first class structure.

The records show the money was expended as follows: Excavation of rock and wet, \$1228.42; concrete piers and footings, \$5997.26; concrete reinforced section, \$3213.83; concrete steel section, \$1717.31; guard rail, \$1430.47; reinforced steel, \$6117.93; forms, \$8724.78; razing old structure, \$12,471.18; wood block paving, \$1154.44; lighting systems standards, \$1556.21; drains, \$746.31; tile, \$251.94; watchman, \$115; guinite, \$7520.78; clean up, \$795.84; engineering in field and supervision, \$810.75; grading, \$112.75; miscellaneous labor and material, \$261.33; rental of tractor, \$53; rental of big mixer, \$752; rental of compressor, \$650; rental of trucks, \$27; sidewalk, \$466.81; concrete curb, \$231.54.

The Rutland News
January 20, 1926

TWO BRIDGES MAY SPAN CHAMPLAIN

New York and Vermont Interests Appear Before Commission.

(By the Associated Press).

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 20.—Construction of two bridges across Lake Champlain, one at Fort Ticonderoga and the other at some point on the Northern end of the lake, was urged by the Ticonderoga Chamber of Commerce today at the concluding public hearing of the New York section of the joint New York-Vermont Legislative Bridge Commission held at the Capital.

The commission also received from the Chambers of Commerce of Burlington, St. Albans, Swanton, Alburg and Grand Isle, Vt., a joint resolution asking that consideration be given to the construction of two bridges one of which, however, would pass between Rouses Point, N. Y., and Alburg, Vt., in the vicinity of Fort Ticonderoga.

The commission has decided on no site for the bridge, Senator Ferris of Ticonderoga, Chairman of that body said.

The Rutland News
January 22, 1926

CHAMPLAIN SPAN PUT OFF 3 YEARS

Rutland Chamber of Commerce Is Anxious That Bridge Be Built.

— Bridge to span Lake Champlain connecting Vermont with New York, for which a joint commission of the two States held hearings all last summer in Vermont and New York, will not be started for at least three years, according to an action yesterday of the New York Legislature. The New York legislature deferred action on the project, until the Vermont Legislature takes action. The Vermont Legislature Vaughn, George E. Chalmers, H. O.

The Rutland Chamber of Commerce, represented by Herman W. Vaughn, George E. Chalmers, H. O. Carpenter, and Albert S. Reed, attended several of the meetings, and urged that the bridge be built at Larabee's Point.

Under the plan the joint commission was to investigate the project from all angles and report back to the Legislatures. Engineers have not as yet completed all of their tests, but it is said that the Larabee's Point, Ticonderoga bridge, where the lake is shallow, is favorably considered.

The money for the bridge will have to come from appropriations from the Legislatures of both states.

Rutland and Addison Counties would be greatly benefited by having the bridge built at this section of the Lake. Statistics show that it would be one of the most traveled toll bridges in this section of New England.

The Ticonderoga Chamber of Commerce estimates that over 50,000 tourists visited there last Summer.

The Rutland News
April 9, 1926

RECOMMEND TWO BRIDGES ACROSS LAKE

Vermont-New York State
Commissions Submit Re-
port After Study.

\$548,000 TO \$921,000

Suggest One Span At
Southern End of Lake
Champlain.

The joint commissions of the New York Legislature and the Vermont Legislature, appointed two years ago to investigate the advisability of building a bridge across Lake Champlain to connect the two states, yesterday submitted a report stating that at least one bridge at the southern end and possibly another bridge will be constructed near Rouses Point, N. Y.

The joint commission is composed of: Vermont—Chairman, George Z. Thompson, rector, Charles E. Scheff, St. Albans, William E. Warner Vergennes; New York—Assemblyman Fred L. Porter, Crown Point, N. Y., Assemblyman Herbert A. Bartholomew, Whitehall, N. Y., and Assemblyman Samuel I. Rossman of New York.

The commission found that the cost of a suitable bridge, estimated by engineers, would cost between \$548,000 and \$921,000.

Before any action can be decided upon, the report must be submitted to the legislatures of the two states. If the plan is adopted and a definite location is decided upon for one or two bridges, the legislative bodies will have to appropriate the funds. Some of the recommendations of the commissions follow:

Recommendations.

1—The project of one or more bridges connecting the state highway systems of Vermont and New York across the Champlain valley is endorsed by chambers of commerce, civic units, dozens of organizations, automobile clubs and communities of Vermont and New York.

2—In the entire course of the inquiry your commission found no opposition to the project.

3—One, perhaps two bridges, one in the southern portion of the lake and one near Rouses Point would be economically justified by the increasing traffic.

4—Unwarranted hardship is being imposed upon interstate vehicular traffic by the lack of bridge crossings.

5—Present ferry service is inadequate, unscientific and uncertain.

6—During a part of the year considerable areas of the 112 miles of lake line between New York and Vermont are completely cut off, with consequent loss in the development of rich and productive sections of both states.

The Rutland News
April 23, 1926

APPROVES FUND TO SURVEY BBIDGES

Engineers Can Now Start
Work On Vermont-Lake
Champlain Project.

Vergennes, April 23.—William R. Warner, a member of the Vermont committee of the Vermont-New York Champlain Commission said yesterday he had received word that Gov. Alfred E. Smith has approved the bill of Senator Mortimer P. Ferris calling for an appropriation of \$25,000 to engage engineers to outline a suitable plan for the erection of one or possibly two bridges to span Lake Champlain. The Vermont Legislature following consideration of the report of the committee will be asked to make an appropriation. It is hoped to have plans ready so as to start the project in 1927.

LOCAL JOKESTERS LAUGH AT UNWARY

Celebrate April Fool's Day by Distributing Onion- Filled Chocolates.

Delicious looking chocolates with foundations of strips of cardboard, onions, pieces of potato and other interesting objects are being purchased at local stores today by those who wish to celebrate the ancient institution of All Fools Day. Small boys and others with a disposition toward practical jokes are putting bricks in paper bags and placing them on the sidewalks for the unwary to attempt to kick into the gutter. Purses, richly stuffed with old paper are generously left around. Everywhere, the air is ringing with the cry, "April Fool!"

Like the formerly glorious Fourth, April Fools Day has suffered a serious decline since Grandpa was a boy. In the good old days, before modern milk-sops introduced the "safe and sane" idea, April Fools Day was a time when the humorists of the city provided much exciting entertainment for those unfortunate enough to forget the date. Many casualties and much merriment were enjoyed, and it was all very interesting.

Then and Now.

One of the older residents of Rutland yesterday recalled how the youth of his day used to celebrate the first of April. Instead of making phoney candy with a base of cardboard, potato, or some such substance which was mildly disappointing when bitten into, the humorists would re-enforce their confection with bits of stone or hard wooden blocks, so that the would-be candy eater would know he had made a mistake. The victim would sometimes break a tooth, which was much funnier than to see a person trying to masticate a piece of cardboard.

Banana peel distributed on an old man's doorstep was one of the most popular methods of creating fun. The old gent, usually sunk into the dotage of old age would confidently start to descend, when, suddenly, both feet would fly out from under him and he would fall down the whole length of the steps. As the victim would usually break several bones and be unable to do anything but flop hopelessly around and swear futilely, this little ruse would never fail to provoke much merriment.

More Disastrous Pranks.

And, of course, the smarter boys used to think of many mirth-provoking little pranks. During the last big fire on Merchants Row that occurred on April Fools Day, a woman appeared in the window of the third floor. Smoke poured out around her, flames scorched her face and she was unable to get down. A humorist in the crowd called out, "Jump, lady, jump; I've got a net. I'll catch you." The woman, blinded by the smoke, jumped. Of course, the man had no net. The situation was so highly amusing and she looked so funny after she landed that everyone was convulsed with laughter.

One ingenious lad is said to have inserted some Rought on Rats in his grandmother's tea. The old lady went through all sorts of interesting contortions on the floor and it was all screamingly funny. Of course the old lady died, but, as the little tot's mother tolerantly remarked at the time, "boys will be boys."

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the property owners of the City of Rutland, that to have the estreet in front of their property treated with dust-laying material, they must submit a petition to the Commissioner of Public Works on or before May 1st, 1926, requesting oil or calcium chloride treatment.

A petition must be signed by a majority of the property owners in the block to be treated.

Petitions may be obtained at the City Clerk's office.

No less than a block will be treated.

No treatment will be made on verbal requests.

No petitions will be received after May 1st, 1926.

JOSEPH P. FEELEY
Commissioner of Public Works

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To Stop Petting In Parked Automobiles

Young Couples Enter Cars on Street, Draw Curtains and Forget to Leave Before Owner Returns

If you must pet do so in your own automobile, is the command of Fred C. Roberts after hearing complaints that lovelorn youths enter parked cars in front of dance halls and make themselves at home. The commissioner of public safety issued this ukase today after several complaints had been received from persons who upon leaving their cars parked on the streets of the city find them occupied when they return.

Young girls and boys ranging in age from 14 to 16 are the principal offenders. They enter the cars and carefully draw the curtains.

The police have been instructed to put a stop to the practice.

BATHERS ABANDON OLD SWIMMIN' HOLE

Lake Beaches With Modern
Conveniences Attract
Rutland Swimmers.

The "old swimmin' hole" has disappeared in Rutland. Hundreds of young men and women now prefer to travel from 10 to 20 miles to the various lakes for a dip.

Among the former Popular swimming places that are no longer used to any extent are the various spots on East Creek. "Devil's Camp," situated about 200 yards east of "76" bridge, is perhaps the best known hole that has disappeared. This spot was shaded by a 20-foot natural trap-rock embankment old timers say it was first used for bathing purposes more than 50 years ago by gypsies who camped in the nearby woods. On the east side of the pool was a natural cave. This place was used extensively up to about five years ago when the Patch Manufacturing Company purchased the water rights and flooded the meadows for the erection of the Patch Power Plant. About 300 yards west of "76" bridge was another swimming place known as "Baxters." This was on the Country Club property and some 25 years ago was a very popular place.

"Black Rock" and "Yellow Bank" were also popular bathing places. About 20 years ago it was not an uncommon sight to see about 50 to 75 persons swimming at night at "Yellow Bank." In all these places on East Creek the water except in one spot at "Devil's Camp" was never over five feet deep, making it an excellent place to learn to swim.

Hundreds of Rutland children have learned to swim at "Big Baxter's," "The Lilly," "Hibbards," "Billings Bridge" and "The Fence."

About 10 years ago a swimming place could be found about a mile in any direction from the business section of the city. A visit during the past week to any of these places found not more than 20 persons swimming at all points on Oter Creek while the beaches at Lake Bomoseen, Lake Dunmore and Elfin Lake are crowded daily with bathers.

The automobile is given as the reason for the abandonment of the "old swimmin' hole" nearby lakes with bath houses and other conveniences

H. W. VAUGHAN HAS BEAUTIFUL GARDEN

Raises Own Lemons and Oranges; Has Marvelous
Display of Flowers.

Herman W. Vaughan of this city is planning soon to serve to his guests lemonade made from lemons raised on his own place on Grove Street.

Among his countless foreign and native fruits, vegetables, flowers and trees, Mr. Vaughan has several orange and lemon trees on which the fruit is almost mature. These trees are growing in a hotbed bordering his vegetable garden.

Although they are now much taller than the top of the enclosure, so that they cannot be protected by the glass covering in colder weather, they are still thriving and continue to bear fruit in the Summer.

The lay-out of his beautiful grounds and the kinds and varieties of his fruits and flowers would require a volume to cover completely, even in a brief manner. The best that can be done is to pick out some of the more striking items.

Mr. Vaughan laid out his grounds himself. He had originally hired a landscape architect to do the work. After a week, the plans were presented, but proved unsatisfactory to the owner. He scrapped the plans and did the work himself. His gardens are Mr. Vaughan's chief hobby and he spends much time with his flowers. As he was showing the reporter around his place yesterday afternoon, he showed his keen interest by frequently stooping down to remove some tiny weed growing at the roots of a choice flower.

Varieties of Flowers.

Among his flowers, might be mentioned tea roses, castor oil plants, geraniums, petunias, various lilies, ball thistle, maid-in-the-mist, dahlias, French cannas and pansies, to say nothing of a greenhouse containing coleus, the rare gloxinia, several varieties of orchids, tuberous begonias and about 150 chrysanthemum plants about four feet high. There is also the tropical bourgainville vine of southern Florida, which displays its delicate lavender blossoms three times a year.

Perhaps the most grotesque of the lot are the century plants, of which he has about half a dozen on his grounds. With their tremendous thick leaves of dark green with thorns on the edges, they bring with them something of the atmosphere of their native Mexican desert. They are in large wooden pots, which are removed to shelter in the Winter. These plants are said to blossom once in 100 years. As they are now about 20 years old, they will be in full bloom for the first time in 2006 A. D.

Elephant Ears.

Another one of the more curious plants is the elephant ears, which border the lily pool. These plants have leaves about 24 by 24 inches, shaped almost exactly like the ear of an Indian elephant.

Among the trees, there are the mountain ash with its red berries, birch, cut-leaf maple from Norway, the rare imported blue spruce, the Austrian pine with needle three times as long as the ordinary, the colorado and a weeping mulberry whose branches grow down instead of up. Mr. Vaughan had a stone pine, of which tree there is only one other in the State of Vermont. For fruit trees, he has cherries, plums and an apple orchard.

The shrubbery and hedges bordering the flower beds are of bridal wreath, roses, hydrangeas, spirea, elderberry, lilac, Japanese barberry and Japanese privet.

He also has a blackberry patch, which is now yielding almost a bushel of fruit a day, a raspberry patch, a grape arbor, to say nothing of fields of corn and buckwheat.

Five men are kept busy throughout the day to keep the extensive gardens in condition.

The Rutland News
August 24, 1926

FIELD RELATES HISTORY OF RUTLAND POSTOFFICE

Year's Receipts Have Advanced From \$37.67 to More Than \$100,000; Prospects Are Bright for New Building.

The history of the Post Office in Rutland and of the United States in general was the subject of Fred A. Field's talk before the Exchange Club this noon at the Berwick Hotel.

In 1792, said Mr. Field, Frederick Hill was appointed the first postmaster of Rutland. It was in 1810, that the first post office was established in the red store on Main Street, with W. D. Smith as postmaster. In 1836, the office was moved to the County Court House and T. J. Ormsbee was postmaster.

The post office was again moved, in 1841, to the book store on the site of Mrs. Ella Hollister's house on Center Street. At this time, Jesse Gove was postmaster. Soon after this, it was again moved to the Town Hall, which was on the site of F. D. White's garden on Washington Street and John Cain was postmaster.

The Federal Building on Center Street housed the office in 1857 and in 1889, Station A was established in the north half of J. C. Dunn's store and remained there until moved to its present place.

"The prospects are now very bright for a new building in the near future," said Mr. Field, "thanks to Congressman Brigham."

Advance of Receipts.

During the first year of the post office in Rutland, the receipts amounted to \$37.67. In the last year, they were over \$100,000. In 1886, the Rutland free delivery was

established with six carriers. There are now 15.

From 1711 to 1775, the post office of the Colonies, he said, was mismanaged by the English postmaster general here. The first of these was Thomas Neal, who lived in Virginia. The mail was, for the most part, entrusted to ship managers, who left the letters at coffee houses.

Benjamin Franklin was the first American postmaster general. In his time, it cost from six to 25 cents to send a letter. There were only 75 post offices in the country and 2000 miles of mail routes. The mail was carried by stage or post carriages at a rate of 5 miles an hour. The regular mail trains now run at 40 miles per hour, and the airplane is coming to occupy a very important place in the postal system. The salaries of postmasters now range from \$1.02 a year up to \$8000.

Register System.

In 1865, the registry system was established. Just a few years ago, \$20,000,000 in gold was shipped across the continent by the United States Post Office, the largest shipment of registered mail ever known.

Stamps were adopted in 1847 in this country and sold for five and ten cents. Brattleboro, however, beat the United States by getting out a stamp of its own in 1846.

Vermont had its own postal system in 1784 with Anthony Haswell of Bennington in charge.

RELATE HISTORY OF ROSS HOMESTEAD

Oldest House In City Is Thought to Have Been Built In 1797 or 1798.

The oldest house in the city, as far as can be learned, is the one on the east corner of West and Nichols Streets, inhabited by George H. Ross and belonging to him and his sister, Mrs. William Chamberlin of Washington, D. C. It is thought to have been built some time before 1797, although it may possibly have been erected in 1798.

The house, although still occupied, is left to a great extent as it was over 100 years ago. The present owners have an inventory of the furnishings, which was made out in 1822. A large number of the pieces of furniture and smaller articles, even to some of the lamps and iron ware are still in use. Things like flatiron stands, as well as several iron articles the use of which is now no longer known, still hang on the same hooks and nails they did many years ago.

The kitchen has a modern stove placed in front of its fireplace. This fireplace has a crane, a baking oven and even a maple sugar evaporator together with various tools for operating and stoking, the exact nature of them not being known. The doorway of the house is said to be the most perfect John Alden doorway in New England.

The property on which the house stands was sold to Capt. William Jenkins, a soldier of the Continental Army, by Mr. and Mrs. Elias Buell in 1797, as is shown by the deed, which is preserved in the house. As this deed bore the signature of Mrs. Buell as well as that of her husband, whereas previous deeds involving Mr. Buell's property transactions omitted his wife's signature, this is taken to mean that the house was already on the land when it was sold.

Whether Capt. Jenkins bought the house or built it, he and Mrs. Jenkins and his three-year-old nephew, Ambrose Lincoln Brown, grandfather of George H. Ross, and Ambrose's mother moved into the house in 1798. The tract of land with the house extended north to the present Hospital and West across East Creek to Pin Hill, including 162 acres in all.

The State House, adjacent to the Ross residence, was also owned by Capt. Jenkins. It later became the property of Ambrose Brown who used it for a farmhouse.

In 1820, Ambrose Lincoln Brown bought the house across the street now known as the Gleason house, for his home. He married Isabelle Maria Hopkins, the girl who lived at the foot of the campus when he attended Middlebury College. He became engaged while at college and married her when he graduated. In 1828, he bought the Eaton house on the northern corner of Woodstock Avenue and North Main Street, and, in 1843, he moved back to his original home on West Street.

Diversified Talents.

Mr. Brown was a man of many and diversified talents. He was a lawyer, part owner of a paper mill in Rutland Centre, civil engineer, justice of peace, probate judge, book seller, editor of the Herald, town representative, adjutant general of the State and Judge of the Rutland County Court. This is naming only his more prominent occupations. He died in 1865.

In the late 1893, the west side of the old homestead was cut off. In the late '80s, Nichols Street was put through, but there was no room for a sidewalk with the house in the position it then occupied. Its occupant at that time, Isabella Maria Brown, daughter of Ambrose Lincoln, feared to have the house moved, as was suggested, so the two sheds were moved around to the north side of the house, and a section of the west side cut off, including "the office," a big downstairs bedroom, the pantry, three upstairs bedrooms and the back stairs

House Is Remodeled.

This was not, however, the only mutilation the house has undergone, for some time before that it was remodeled, which resulted in the usual destruction of beauty always the case when old houses were remodeled in the age of the dear departed Queen. The entrance was originally on the east side. It opened into a large hall with a big room on either side. The entrance was moved to the West Street side and a small hall was made for it. The front stairs were changed so as to be near the new front door. Putting in the new hall necessitated closing up the old living room fireplace.

The southwest room, which was cut off, was known as "the office" because it was the office of the town clerk for several decades, when A. L. Brown, and later his daughter Isabella M. Brown, held this position.

The present owners are the children of Zidor E. Ross and Eleanor Taylor Brown, one of the children of Ambrose Lincoln Brown. Zidor E. Ross was a brother of the recently deceased Charles E. Ross.

The Rutland News
August 27, 1926

FIRE CHIEF DEVISES WEIRD LOOKING CAR

Will Display Bucking Ford to Visitors At Firemen's Convention Sept. 6.

A bucking Ford car is the unusual feature devised by Fire Chief Alfred Koltonski and his men for the Firemen's convention September 6. By advancing the rear axle about a yard to the front and stripping the car of hood, mudguards and top, it almost balances on the rear axle when the back seat is occupied. To cause the front end to rear high in the air, all that is necessary is to drive it at a moderate rate and then suddenly put on the brake.

This eccentric Lizzie is painted a bright red, with the incignia, "Dingville, No. 1." Various dented fire extinguishers, tea kettles and watering pots are hung about it, to say nothing of a dinky little ladder made of scrap wood attached to the left side of the vehicle. The most formidable part of the whole affair is a large bell on the radiator cap, which bell makes enough noise for an aval-

The Rutland News
May 4, 1926

METHODIST CHURCH TO BE STARTED IN JUNE

Ground for the Methodist Church to be erected at Williams Street and Chestnut Avenue will probably be broken about the last of June, it was brought out at a special meeting of the quarterly conference held Saturday night.

The plans for the building submitted by Woodbury & Stewart, architects, were unanimously adopted at the meeting.

The Rutland News
May 19, 1926

GET PERMIT FOR CONVENT SCHOOL

Sisters Plan Expenditure of \$200,000 On High School.

The Sisters of St. Joseph of this city have been granted a permit to erect a high school adjoining Mount St. Joseph's convent. The building will be constructed on Convent Avenue, east of the convent building. The plans were drawn by an architect from New York. It is probable that the new building will cost about \$200,000. It is possible that ground will be broken early in June.

The building will be three stories high and will be constructed of brick with ornamental marble trimmings.

The Sisters of St. Joseph's Convent for several years have been contemplating building an addition to accommodate the large number of pupils taught at the school. For the last few years the Sisters with the assistance of parishioners, have been raising funds.

Several months ago Bishop J. J. Rice of Burlington gave the Sisters permission to enlarge the convent. A good sized sum is already in the treasury and by Fall considerable more money will be raised by entertainments, bazaars, organizations and parishioners.

The Rutland News
May 13, 1926

CATHOLIC DIOCESE BUYS BROCK HOUSE

May Be Used to Erect New Holy Innocents Church; Plans Are Indefinite.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Parker of South Main Street have transferred property at the southeast corner of Killington Avenue and South Main Street to the Catholic diocese of Burlington, according to a warranty deed filed at 4:25 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the city clerk's office. Although the price is not definitely known, it is said to be around \$15,000.

The property was purchased by the Catholic diocese probably for the erection of the Holy Innocents church, although the plans have not been definitely decided. The property has a large frontage on South Main Street and easterly it adjoins the Holy Innocents School property.

Should the Catholic diocese decide to build the church on the Parker property it is probable that the present site of the Holy Innocents church will be used for the erection of a new parochial school.

The Rutland News
May 14, 1926

PARKER HOUSE NOT BROCK HOUSE SOLD

It was erroneously stated yesterday in The News that the Catholic Diocese of Burlington had purchased the Brock House. The head of the story should have read Parker house, which is the residence of Henry S. Parker of South Main Street, and not the hostelry conducted by H. Stanley Parker.

The Rutland News
May 13, 1926

WILL ERECT BARN AT FAIR GROUNDS

Structure to House 30 Horses Will Probably Be Completed in August.

The management of the Rutland Fair Association is planning the erection of a new barn at the Fair grounds which will house 30 horses. The building will be completed some time in August. The new barn will have all the conveniences, such as running water, electric lights and padded stalls.

Last year there were more than 100 race horses on the Fair Grounds during the Fair, and the Superintendent, F. F. Gordon of White River Junction, expects that the race entries for the 1926 Fair will outnumber those of last year.

Owners of several of the large trotting and pacing stables have already sent inquiries to the local superintendent concerning race classes and the dates of the early closing events.

The Rutland Fair now awards about \$20,000 in racing purses, which places the event in a class with the Brockton Fair, New York State Fair and the Springfield, Mass., Eastern States Exposition.

Local racing fans are interested in the announcement made about a month ago from the W. G. Barefoot stables in South Bend, Ind., that "Single G," the fastest pacer in the world and the holder of the Rutland track record, will probably race again this year. It is possible that the wonder horse will be entered in the \$2500 free-for-all race here.

TO LAY METHODIST CORNERSTONE SUN.

**Rev. H. L. Wriston of Boston Will Deliver Address;
Invite Other Pastors.**

The ceremony of the laying of the cornerstone of the new Methodist church will take place Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock and will be in charge of Rev. Leigh Dierendorf of this city, district superintendent. Rev. Henry L. Wriston, D. D. of Boston will deliver the address.

Dr. George E. Price, local pastor, standing near the stone, will read a prayer and lead the service. Psalm 132, verses 1—9 and 13—16 will be read as a responsive reading. The lesson will be First Corinthians, Chapter 3, verses 9—17 and the congregation will sing the following hymns: "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken," "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" and "Oh, Where Are the Kings and Empires Now." Special music will be furnished by the Methodist choir, the Methodist Sunday school orchestra and it is expected, the Baptist Quartet.

The service will be followed by Dr. Wriston's address. Then the box containing copies of the Bible, Hymn Book, Discipline, Church Year Book, church periodicals, names of pastors, trustees, official members, architect and builders, copies of the two local newspapers, the list of subscribers to the new church and a history of the fire destroying the previous church and the period since the fire, compiled by Dr. Price, will be deposited in the stone by Dr. Price assisted by the chairman of the building committee and the Builders.

The ceremony will be concluded by the dedicatory prayer.

Dr. Price has sent out invitations to the different pastors in the city, asking them to extend his invitations to their congregations also.

START WORK TODAY ON CONVENT SCHOOL

ESTIMATE \$200,000 COST OF BUILDING

**Contract Is Awarded to
Rowe Construction Co.
of Woodsville, N. H.**

FOREMAN ARRIVES

**Three Story Building Will
Be of Brick Construction,
Three Stories High.**

Ground was broken this morning by the Rowe Construction Company of Woodsville, N. H., for the erection of the new \$200,000 addition to the Mount St. Joseph's Convent. The contract was awarded to the company last week. It is expected that a good portion of the excavation work will be completed this Summer.

A superintendent of the construction company arrived here today to take charge of the work and it is expected that at the start about 30 men will be employed.

The building, which will be three stories high, of brick construction on a concrete foundation, with marble trimmings, will be for the young women students of Mount St. Joseph's Academy.

It will be located just east of the present main Convent building and will be connected by a specially designed archway. The plans were drawn by a New York architect.

The Sisters of St. Joseph already have a large building fund and the members of the three Catholic churches plan to hold an outdoor lawn festival at St. Peter's Field in August and a bazaar in October at the Armory to add to the fund.

REPAIR WEST ST. COVERED BRIDGE

**When Floor Planks Were
Removed Beams Were
Also Found Rotted.**

The old covered bridge, which crosses Otter Creek on West Street, is now undergoing extensive repairs by the Department of Public Works to preserve its usefulness a number of years longer.

When the floor planks were taken up for replacement, it was found that the supporting beams were so rotted on top that a deep trough-like excavation could be made by digging out the decayed wood.

Accordingly, each of these beams are being re-enforced by fastening two thick planks to each of the vertical sides and filling in the cavity with cement. When this is finished, new floor planks will be laid down.

Most of these covered bridges which abound in Vermont and are peculiar to the New England States, were built shortly ~~before~~ the Civil War, and it is thought that the date of this one is about 1860.

Rutland Once Had Whipping Post in Village Square

The history of the city of Rutland, from the time it was a main point on the old Indian route, and Otter creek, the Indian highway, to the present, was outlined by Attorney Milford K. Smith in a talk given at a luncheon of the Rutland Zonta club yesterday noon at the Hotel Berwick.

The speaker surprised some of his auditors with the statement that Rutland once had a whipping post.

The speaker referred to Captain Cross, Rutland's first white settler, 30 or 40 years before the Revolution, and the Crown Point military road, now Main street.

He explained that Rutland was divided into the East parish, along Main street, and the West parish, along Otter creek to Center Rutland. The first two roads were Main street and West street. The stretch from Merchants Row to Otter creek was a swamp. As the town grew, Rutland finally possessed a court house, church and several houses; also a 'federal square,' where Main street is now located.

"Near the old court house stood the town whipping post. Families often brought their lunches and watched the unfortunate victims of the lash. The last public whipping took place in 1808. Rutland was the capital of Vermont and the first legislative gathering was held here. The first state house was on the site on West street where the home of Dr. A. H. Bellerose is located," Smith said.

Miss Berenice R. Tuttle presented the club with a gavel made from locust wood, which came from Jamestown, Va., where she visited recently as a delegate of the General Federation of Women's clubs.

The next meeting of the Zontians will be held at the Berwick on July 13. Plans are being made for a picnic with the Burlington Zonta club at Lake Dunmore, Sunday, July 23.

Rutland Daily Herald
April 3, 1933

Wallingford Man And Wife Shoot 4 Deer in Day

(Special to The Herald.)

WALLINGFORD, April 2.—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shum broke local hunting records Friday afternoon by shooting four deer in the open zone about George Stafford's orchard. Mr. and Mrs. Shum, who live in the north part of town, had gone to Hartsboro to hunt bobcats. Shum, usually gets a bobcat or two every winter, and once shot two foxes in one day. He carried a rifle, and she a 20-gauge shot gun.

Before they found any signs of bobcats they discovered fresh deer tracks coming off the mountain. They followed them down the Hartsboro road until they came in sight of the deer. Then Shum skirted around them and shot two. The other two ran back toward Mrs. Shum, who got them with a double charge of buckshot. Her finger was dislocated in the hunt, but she forgot it in her excitement. The deer had been browsing in the Stafford orchard and had done much damage, especially to the younger trees.

Rutland Daily Herald
June 30, 1933

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Rutland Daily Herald
May 26, 1933

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THE RUTLAND INDEPENDENT - AUGUST 10, 1867

First Agricultural Society In Rutland County

On the first day of January, 1819, the farmers and manufacturers met and formed an association called "The Rutland County Agricultural and Manufacturing Society." The terms of membership were one dollar, and an annual payment of fifty cents. The Annual Meeting was held on the first Tuesday in February. The first officers were::::

Hon. Chauncey Langdon, Castleton, President

Hon. Amos Thompson, Poultney, Vice President

Gen. Caleb Hendee, Pittsford, Vice President

Maj. Tilley Gilbert, Fair Haven, Treasurer

Maj. George T. Hodges, Rutland, Secretary

WOOLWORTH BUYS ON MERCHANTS ROW

TO TAKE OVER THREE STORES

Property Sold by Wallace W. Nichols and Others Has Been Reported Sold to Various Other Interests.

BIGGEST REAL ESTATE DEAL ON RECORD

Three Stores involved Have Leases Running to April 1926 When Building Operations Will Start.

The property from 25 to 29 Merchants Row, representing one of the most valuable parcels of real estate in Rutland, has been purchased by the F. W. Woolworth concern, The News learned today from reliable sources. It is probably the largest real estate transaction which has taken place here.

The actual transfer took place some weeks ago when Wallace W. Nichols and others were recorded as having passed the title to the property to Burton E. Finch. Following this it was variously reported that Finch represented different interests, all of which reports have now proved to be untrue.

The stores are now occupied by Hascall & Channel, jewelers, G. M. Hascall, dealer in crockery, F. B. Howard, jeweler, and Carbine & Costello, clothiers. The upper floors are filled with various offices and smaller stores.

The three stores, it is understood, have leases running for three years and several months longer. It may be the intention of the Woolworth interests to purchase these leases and start building at an earlier date, but one merchant who conversed with the Woolworth representative within a few days informed The News today that no such move had as yet been indicated to him.

When building operations are finally started, it is understood, the Woolworth organization will take over the stores now occupied by the Hascall and Carbine & Costello stores, but that the Howard store will remain about as it is at present.

The Rutland News
January 25, 1923

MARBLE SAVINGS TO BEGIN WORK

Present Structure Must Be
Down March 17 to Make
Way for New.

Officials of the Marble Savings Bank announced today that they would receive offers up to and including February 19, 1923 for demolishing the so-called Verder building, situated at West and Grove streets. The building must be torn down and removed from the premises by the purchaser.

The officials also state that the work of the removal of the structure must begin March 1, and be completed on or before March 17, 1923. At high time work on the new bank building will start.

The Rutland News
February 15, 1923

SACRED HEART CHURCH PRESENTED NEW PULPIT

**Young Women Make Gift
Funds Derived From the Re-
cent Mardi Gras Here.**

A new pulpit of unusual design has been installed in the Church of the Sacred Heart of Mary. It was presented to the church by the young women members from funds realized from the recent Mardi Gras.

The pulpit, which is made of solid brass, has been set up on the gospel side of the church outside the sanctuary in front of one of the large pillars.

The steps leading to the pulpit are of quartered oak and it has draperies of dark blue velour.

The pulpit was used for the first time last Sunday.

The Rutland News
March 24, 1923

WILL IMPROVE TOURISTS CAMP

**Chamber of Commerce Com-
mittee Hopes to Attract
More Visiting Motorists.**

A committee from the Rutland Chamber of Commerce, composed of G. E. L. Badlam, F. A. Field, Jr., and Walter A. Clark, is already making plans for conducting the tourists' camp again this season at the Milo Lester farm on the Pittsford road.

The committee hopes to improve the camp this year by adding other conveniences for the comfort of travelers, to level the ground to a considerable extent and to make the place one of the most popular tourists' camps in this section.

Last year more than 800 people registered at the Lester farm. In addition to 200 soldiers, 75 horses and 24 wagons from Fort Ethan Allen, that stopped at the camp during the summer.

One hundred and ninety-eight automobiles from 19 states are said to have stopped at the camp last season.

The Rutland News
March 24, 1923

MORE DRY RAIDS NET BIG HAUL

**Police Seize Stuff at Garafano
Home; Elsewhere Is Found
Mysterious Boiler.**

Up to noon today no trace had been found of Louis Garafano, 47 Howe Street, whose home was raided last night at 8 o'clock by the police department and federal enforcement agents who seized six gallons of liquid concealed in a bran sack, and a five gallon glass jar which was broken and which contained liquid. The jar was set in the bath tub and its contents were partly in the tub. One-half pint of liquid was also found in a barrel that had apparently just been emptied.

Warrant Issued Today.

Garafano had not returned to his home at a late hour last evening.

Garafano is a brother of Joseph Garafano, who was sent to Windsor Thursday morning for violation of the dry laws.

The raid was made last evening by the officers as a result of information gleaned during the raid yesterday afternoon on Pine and West Streets when the homes of Ludovico Ricci, known as "Prof." Ricci, Louis Bove of Pine Street and Louis Ricci of West Street, were visited by dry agents.

Find Copper Boiler.

Nothing was found at the Louis Ricci residence, but at the "Prof." Ricci home what is believed to be the boiler of the still that was found at the Peter Bove home on Williams Street yesterday, was located and several cans containing a small amount of liquid were found in the shed and in a dump, all bearing evidence of having recently been emptied.

At the home of Louis Bove on Pine Street, which is a section of the "Prof." Ricci home, it is said several bottles filled with liquid were found.

The Rutland News
April 25, 1923

CITY WILL HAVE HIGHEST STACK

**That Being Built For Howe
Scale Company Will Rise
150 Feet In Air.**

brick some 125 or 150 feet in the air on a chimney with a diameter of less than 10 feet is the task that confronts Richard P. Keim and a crew of workmen from New York in the construction of the stack at the Howe Scale company plant. The stack when finished will be 150 high, which will make it the highest in the city and probably the highest in the state.

Some idea of the danger of the work can be gained from the fact that Tuesday afternoon the workmen were obliged to come down to earth because of the wind. The Alphonse Costodis Chimney company of New York are erecting the stack.

Stack Built of Blocks

The stack is built of radio blocks, and will require about 40,000 blocks. This is equivalent to about 120,000 ordinary brick. The stack is 13 feet, 5 inches in diameter at the bottom and will be six feet in diameter at the top. The wall at the bottom has a thickness of 23 1-4 inches, while at the top it is only 7 1-2 inches. The entire work of carrying the cement and brick to the top is accomplished by means of a stationary engine and this is also the manner in which the workmen reach at the top of the stack. One of the features is the inscription in letters four feet six inches in height in black radio blocks advertising the Howe scales. From the top of the stack it is possible to see the lakes and mountains for many miles distant.

Built Highest Chimney

Mr. Keim, the foreman on the job, has the distinction of having laid the brick work on the highest chimney in the country, that of the Anaconda Mining company at Anaconda, Mont. That chimney is 585 feet high. The stack is constructed on a concrete foundation 24 feet square with a thickness of six feet, six inches. It is being erected just west of the brick boiler room now under construction.

The Rutland News

May 5, 1926

CONSIDER CEMENT FOR BANDSTAND

**Public Works Department
Can Furnish Materials,
According to Feeley.**

The new bandstand which the Aldermen voted to construct in Main Street Park at an expense not to exceed \$1500, will probably be constructed of cement concrete. Although the Aldermen voted the proposition, an appropriation for the funds must come from Mayor Dunn. Commissioner of Public Works Joseph P. Feeley plans to look over the present stand and estimate the cost of building a cement one.

Commissioner Feeley said that he did not believe it would be a very great expense and that the Public Works Department could furnish materials and labor.

The aldermen are of the opinion that a cement stand would be a big improvement over the present wooden structure.

The Rutland News

May 20, 1926

DEED HALTS WORK ON NEW BANDSTAND

**Construction Will Not Violate
Terms of Record, Is
Opinion of Attorney.**

City Attorney Jack A. Crowley has rendered an opinion that the city may construct a new bandstand in Main Street Park, to be covered with a sounding board, and not violate the terms of the original deed, which provided that any building be erected, the property would revert back to the original owners. Under the ruling the bandstand will be completed this week, under an appropriation of \$1500 authorized by the Board of Aldermen and will be ready for the first concert to be held Sunday evening.

Investigation concerning the original deed of the property shows that in 1790 it was deeded by Thomas Hale and Nathan Osgood to Samuel Williams and other officials of the Town of Rutland. Mr. Hale received 10 pounds and Mr. Osgood, 18 pounds for the deed.

The deed states that the town is to have and to hold the premises for the sole and exclusive purpose of a public green or common and ever to be kept free from any encroachments of buildings, fences, or yards of any private person or persons.

The City band stand was erected in the park about 23 years ago and since that time the concerts have been held there. The band stand previously was in the Depot Park.

The Rutland News

May 25, 1926

WILL COMPLETE NEW BANDSTAND NEXT WEEK

The new bandstand authorized Aldermen will be completed next week to allow the Rutland City Band to give its first concert on the evening of May 30. The structure will be constructed of cement, with a stucco finish and the entire work will be under the supervision of the Public Works Department.

The stand will not be inclosed but will be equipped overhead with a sounding board so that the music can be heard distinctly from all parts of the park.

The Rutland News
January 12, 1926

LEGION OPENS NEW COTTAGE ST. HOME

What Legionnaires Must
Accomplish in 1926 Told
By Dr. J. M. Hamilton.

The new American Legion home on Cottage Street was used for the first time for a meeting last night when a large number of members of the American Legion, other ex-service men, and members of the Roberts Post of the G. A. R. met last night for a chicken-pie supper cooked and served by the auxiliary.

Those elected to the entertainment committee of the post were Earl Taylor, Roy H. Leonard, Earle T. Tower, Kenneth Bromley and Guy B. Chase. William A. Sargent was made librarian.

Dr. James M. Hamilton, commander, told the objects of the Post for 1926. They are to increase the membership to 300, to open and equip the new home and pay rent, taxes and running expenses, to reduce the post debt by \$1000 and to have the names of dead ex-service men placed on tablets in the Armory.

The Vermont Department of the Legion will hold its mid-winter conference in the new home February 11 and 12. It was voted to accept the invitation to the Post by the committee of a projected Washington's birthday patriotic service.

A picture of Grant Cutler of Rutland, who died in the World War, has been presented to the home by his family.

LEGION WILL OPEN NEW HOME TONIGHT

An "open house reception" to-night from 8 to 10 o'clock will formally open Rutland Post, American Legion's new home on Cottage Street. Through the kindness of George Ball, paperhanger and Spanish War Veteran, and William Hess, two floors on the ground floor have been entirely dedecorated without cost to the Legion. The wall paper was donated by Dr. E. E. Johnson.

The receiving line this evening will consist of local, state and national officers, among them being: Post Commander, Dr. James M. Hamilton; Vermont Department Commander, Robert McCuen, Burlington; local auxiliary unit president, Mrs. F. C. Andrus; Vermont Auxiliary Department President, Mrs. Agnes Wilcox, St. Johnsbury; National Committeeman, Jack A. Crowley; Past National Auxiliary Vice President, Mrs. Cornie Glynne Cocklin; Past Vermont Legion Department Commander, Bert S. Hyland; Post Adjutant, Charles E. Novak; Post Finance Officer, George A. Sabin.

LEASE ANNEX TO RUTLAND RESTAURANT

Transaction Involves Total
Rental of Approximately
\$30,000.

NEW EQUIPMENT

To Remodel and Redecorate
Store At 55 Merchants
Row for Quick Lunch.

The Rutland Restaurant has leased for a term of 10 years the stores at 55 and 57 Merchants Row from Charles H. Landon of this city. The transaction involves a total rental of approximately \$30,000. About May 15, the concern plans an expenditure of about \$10,000 in remodeling and equipping the store at 55 Merchants Row which will be known as the Rutland Restaurant Annex Counter Service.

Jaes Corsones, a member of the Rutland Restaurant firm, has recently returned from Albany, N. Y., where he purchased equipment for a cafeteria restaurant. The entire store will be refinished in ivory tile. There will also be a horseshoe onyx steel counter with a glass top which will accommodate 28. The counter alone cost several thousand dollars. In addition there will be everything electric, including the newest designs in steam tables, coffee urns, electric toaster, waffle irons, and every other convenience for a quick lunch service. An ammonia refrigerating plant will be installed in both stores.

The annex will be connected with the kitchen of the Rutland Restaurant, but will have a separate entrance.

PLAN ERECTION OF GARAGE TO COST \$30,000

**Building to Be Located Between Flanders Motor Co. and
Linscott Motor Co. Is Leased to Local
Ford Agents.**

Richmond & Remington, owners of the property on South Main Street formerly occupied by the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company, as car barns, will break ground Monday for the erection of a new garage at a cost of approximately \$30,000 according to information given out today at their office.

The owners stated that the new garage, which will be constructed of brick, tile and cement with ornamental marble trimmings, will be ready for occupancy October 1. It has been leased to the Babbitt Motors, Inc., Ford and Lincoln agents in this city.

The new garage will be one story high and will be located directly between the Linscott Motor Company and the Flanders Motor Company, opposite the Fair Grounds on South Main Street.

The property was purchased by Richmond & Remington of the Vermont Hydro-Electric Corporation about two years ago at a price said to be about \$20,000. With the building of two garages and remodeling of the former car barns into a garage, the value of the property has been increased to around \$110,000.

The Rutland News
July 10, 1926

LEAPING LENA HAS 36 IN. WHEEL BASE Pride of Peerless Fours Performs Many Perilous Stunts.

Leaping Lena, the pride of the peerless fours, has been captured by the Vermont Garage Co., and held in captivity at their storage plant on Strong's Avenue. This novel car is a rebuilt Ford with a wheel base of 36 inches. With three or more heavy people in the rear seat it performs many perilous stunts which are worth seeing. With its engine roaring and everybody anxiously waiting to see what will happen, the driver suddenly releases the clutch, the front wheels go skyward and the rear ones downward, and with a mighty roar Lena starts tearing down the street. This is but one of the many stunts that can be done with this tiny wonder.

Perhaps the best exhibition by this car is the tail-spin, with racing engine and people sitting tensely in their seats the mechanical car sinks to the floor, jumps in the air, whirls around a few times and drops back to the ground.

The Rutland News
July 26, 1926

FORMER PRINTER HERE ROSE HIGH IN N. J.

**Thomas F. Martin, Dead Secretary of State, Left Rutland Nearly Penniless More Than
25 Years Ago.**

From a poor boy in Rutland to what over 25 years ago, Mr. Martin left Rutland with almost nothing. This was the life of Thomas F. Martin, who died last Tuesday at his home in Weehauken, N. J. He was also owner of the Hudson City Dispatch of Union City, N. J.

Mr. Martin was born in Hartford, Conn., on January 30, 1868 and came to Rutland when a small boy. His school education was rather scanty, as he left and went to work in the printing business at the age of about 15.

In 1890, he and Timothy Sweeney of this city started the Evening News with Mr. Martin as editor. This paper was published where the Smith Wall Paper Company now is on Center Street. The News was, however, an unfortunate venture and died about three years later. Some-

what over 25 years ago, Mr. Martin left Rutland with almost nothing. Undaunted, he got a job as a printer on the Hudson Dispatch of Union City, N. J., and, in about three years' time, worked himself up to the position of owner of the paper. In the meantime he developed it from a weekly to a daily paper.

In 1910, he was elected to the legislature, where he served four terms. He was then appointed Secretary of State by Gov. Fielder, and was reappointed twice, having, in all, three successive five-year terms.

He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Margaret Brennan of this city, a son and two daughters.

Funeral services were held at St. Nicholas's Monastery, Union City, at 10 o'clock Friday morning.

EVENING NEWS SOLD TO BRAISLIN

R. H. SPENCER TAKES INTEREST

**Camden, N. J., Men With
Local Affiliations Take
Charge.**

IMPORTANT CHANGES

**Aggressive Improvement
and Enlargement Are
Planned.**

With Monday's issue the Rutland Evening News starts under new ownership and operation.

The new owners are Edward G. Braislin and Reuben H. Spencer.

Mr. Braislin is the son of the Rev. Dr. Gibbs Braislin, for 15 years pastor of the Baptist Church here. Mr. Spencer, a native of England, has been in the real estate business with Mr. Braislin in Camden, N. J., for three years.

Prior to his real estate operations Mr. Braislin had extensive experience on the business and advertising ends of several newspapers including the New Bedford, Mass., Standard and the Camden, N. J., Courier.

It is the idea of the new owners to run an independent Republican newspaper.

Extensive improvements in the make-up and contents of the newspaper are planned. These include increased typesetting and other mechanical facilities, an adequate staff of experience reporters and editors, advertising solicitors, and a service department for advertisers designed to aid merchants in the preparation of copy wherever the service is desired.

It is the present plan to erect a building in the spring.

The News was established 28 years ago by Charles T. Fairfield who sold his interest in the property in 1920. The paper has since been operated by Donald G. Babbitt who has now disposed of his interests to Mr. Braislin and Mr. Spencer.

In addition to a largely increased reporterial and editorial staff feature service including comic strips, serious cartoons, sporting, political and other features and news pictures service will be added. The Associated Press report will ultimately be extended to include the full leased wire.

The News is completing arrangements with Bulkley S. Griffin, distinguished Washington correspondent, for news service from the National Capital having special bearing on matters of interest and concern to the people of Vermont.

All arrangements to accomplish the ends set forth have either been made or are in process of consummation and it is the expectation of the new owners that within a few weeks all new features, improved appearance, etc., will be accomplished facts.

The Rutland Evening News
November 10, 1926

POWER SAWS FIRST USED IN MARBLE INDUSTRY IN 1825

But Poor Transportation Soon Resulted in the Closing of the Mills; They Rotted Away In Idleness!

Yesterday in the first of a series of unusually interesting articles on the history of the marble industry in Rutland County. It was narrated how Enos Clark, back in the later part of the Eighteenth Century, began working the first deposits of the valuable stone that were found in Vermont. All of the work at that time was done by hand and the progress that the industry made during the ensuing 50 years was slow. Then came the advent of power machinery and the beginning of a new era in the history of Vermont marble. This article picks up the story at that point and carries it down through the Nineteenth Century.

It was in 1825, about 100 years ago, that General Clark, who had several years before purchased the Salisbury Quarry, introduced the use of power into what was destined to be, although it was undreamed of then, the chief industry of this section of Vermont. A mill was built at Tinnmouth and there water power, obtained from a large spring on an elevation, propelled two gang saws and a whip saw. For 15 years the business of sawing and selling marble was carried on from this mill, but in 1840 it was found to have been a very unsuccessful enterprise and it was abandoned.

Haulage Was Too Expensive.

In 1833 Marcus Stoddard built a mill at Middletown. It was located about two miles west of the old Andrus Quarry and it contained one gang of saws and one whip saw. Procuring blocks of stone from Tinnmouth and hauling the sawed marble to the canal, so crippled the enter-

prise that it soon broke down and the mill was suffered to decay in idleness, a striking memorial to the wants of this part of the country in the middle of the Nineteenth Century.

This was the second time in the short history of the industry that financial failure and inability to make quarrying and milling of marble pay a fair return had given the development of the industry a set-back. And there were more set-backs to come.

Shipped By Canal.

The marble that was obtained from the Tinnmouth Quarry at that time was sold principally in Central New York. Some found its way through the Champlain and Erie Canals and thence by the lakes as far west as Detroit and Ann Arbor, Mich. The most convenient point of shipment was the Comstock Landing on the Champlain Canal. The problems of transporting the material from this point on, were comparatively slight, but the real job was getting the marble to the Comstock Landing. Inability to do this and still show a profit has been given as the reason for the early financial failures.

So far it has been revealed how the lack of power machinery and later the lack of transportation facilities arose as stumbling blocks in the marble industry. The lack of proper financial backing came as the next obstacle in the day of those who would make Vermont a marble center. Just what set-backs resulted from this bugaboo and how they were finally hurdled will be narrated in ensuing articles of this series.

The Rutland Evening News
November 12, 1926

OUTSIDE CAPITAL INJECTED NEW LIFE IN MARBLE INDUSTRY IN '43

Baltimore Man Aided in the Formation of First Corporation at Danby, But Failures Continued.

The lack of power machinery and the lack of adequate transportation gave the marble industry in Vermont its first two serious set-backs. Just how the introduction of water-driven mills solved the first of these two problems has been narrated in earlier articles in this series on the history of the industry in Rutland County. The articles are of exceedingly interest because they form a thorough and detailed account of the hardships which were encountered in raising Vermont to what it is today; the greatest marble-producing state in the country. This installment picks up the story in the second quarter of the Nineteenth Century and shows how the lack of financial backing brought failure into the situation again.

The earliest effort at producing marble in the town of Danby of which there is any authentic record was in 1827, when a small quarry was opened and a mill erected by John M. Sowle. In 1833 James Lincoln quarried and sold marble from that town in a small way. In that year the Kelly brothers commenced quarrying marble in Danby and sold blocks of it to A. W. Hyde of Castleton.

The West Demands Marble.

The marble produced at the Kelly quarry was hauled by team to Poultney and was sawed at the marble mill there. From thence the slabs were transported in the same manner to Whitehall and shipped by canal or lake to supply the increasing demand in the West.

More quarries were opened in the immediate vicinity and in 1843 a third mill erected. Then Thomas Symington of Baltimore, Maryland, came to Danby and purchased the marble interests of the Kellys and carried on the business quite exten-

sively for six years. This was the first sign of outside capital.

Corporation is Formed.

About 1849 William Kelly again entered the field, erected another mill and carried on the quarrying and swing of marble for some years. Blake and Barney of Swanton, Vermont, in the early Fifties bought out this second Kelly enterprise. They continued the business for about two years and then it reverted back to William Kelly, who consolidated it with the property of Thoms Symington. The two formed one of the first corporations known in the industry. The stock was purchased by John B. Page, several others from Vermont and a group of financial interests from New York.

Waldo Makes First Success.

This new concern conducted a large business for several years and then leased the property to Loren S. Waldo. The terms of the lease, being enabled Waldo to make what the early pioneers have said was the first real success in the business. He carried the work on until 1870, when, his lease having expired, the marble business terminated in Danby. Among the other operators who had mills at that same time in Danby were Fish and Congor John T. Griffith, Stimson, Hopkins and Rodgers, and others.

Obstacles Are Overcome.

Thus we have seen the marble industry climb from an insignificant and failing enterprise to one in which real money was being made. We have traced it as it met the various obstacles that arose in its path. The next article will deal with the history of the industry in the immediate vicinity of Rutland and will trace its handicaps and its failures; its growth and the manner in which it conquered the problems which confronted it.

GILMAN WILSON WAS ONE OF RUTLAND'S MARBLE PIONEERS

Grandfather of Local Man Active in Dorset in the Forties; First to Use Water and Sand In Milling.

Gilman Wilson, grandfather of Frank M. Wilson of East Center Street, was one of the most interesting of the early pioneers in the marble industry in this section of Vermont.

For more than a week, The Rutland Evening News has been sketching the early history of the great industry and now another colorful chapter is added with the tale that the present Mr. Wilson tells of his grandfather's early development of the marble beds in the vicinity of Rutland.

Surface Blasting.

"It was back in the forties," said Mr. Wilson, "that the late Gilman Wilson, then a very young man, began operations out in the Dorset Hill section. They were just beginning to work the marble deposits there. All the work was of a surface nature. Their mode of operation was to insert a charge of dynamite, blast a quantity of the stone loose and then shimm it off to the surface.

"There were no derricks at that time and all the operations were necessarily crude. They 'boated' or slid the rock down the side of the mountain and then it was drawn to Manchester. The mill was between Manchester and Manchester Center. There they had an overshot wheel and gangs hung with rawhide. It was here that water was first used in connection with the sand process.

First to Use Water.

"My grandfather made a deal with a certain man to saw up so many blocks of marble. He was to be paid according to the number of pieces cut. The man was accordingly very anxious to make as much speed as possible. It was also provided that my grandfather should fill the bin with sand and that this man should furnish the rest of the sand needed himself.

"Before long this fellow discovered that he could make more speed and make the sand last longer if he mixed it with water and so he rigged up a crude apparatus whereby he wetted the sand with an overhead bucket system. It was a primitive arrangement, but it was the beginning of the present system of mixing sand with water in the process of

milling marble.

Tombstones a Specialty.

"I was a small child when my grandfather used to tell us stories of those early days. He has repeated to me many times how the marble in those days was used principally for tombstones; how they tooled them on one side and sold most of them at Comstock Landing, with the exception of the few that were used locally.

For 25 or 30 years Gilman Wilson stayed on there and before he retired he had seen the business grow to one of great success. Never once in his experience did he meet with failure or financial reverses."

Another article on Mr. Wilson's interesting experiences will appear tomorrow in The Rutland Evening News. In it will be told the interesting story of how rum, tobacco and foodstuffs were taken in trade for the marble that was quarried by the Wilson interests.

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TOBACCO, MOLASSES, RUM USED FOR MONEY HERE 75 YEARS AGO

Frank M. Wilson Tells How Trading Was Done With
"Barter" Instead of Currency In This
Section of Vermont.

Back in the pioneer days, in the middle of the Nineteenth Century, actual gold, silver or paper currency was a rarity in this part of the country and when goods were sold, goods of another sort were generally taken in payment.

This fact was revealed today to The Rutland Evening News by Frank M. Wilson in the second of two interviews on the early history of the marble industry in this part of the county.

"Barter" Used for Money.

"My grandfather, Gilman Wilson, often told me how they used to take loads of marble to Comstock Landing to sell it," said Mr. Wilson. "When they had accumulated a sufficient quantity of the stone, my grandfather would notify his agent in Albany and they would meet at Comstock Landing. The New York men would come on a barge loaded with, nails, tobacco, molasses, rum, sugar, cotton goods and other such supplies. Then the bartering would take place and the marble men would return to this part of the State with the miscellaneous goods, taken instead of money, which was very rare in those days. Then the men working the quarries would be paid in the same way, with this 'barter.'

Forms Partnership.

"My grandfather never met with financial failure and it was well along in his career that he went into partnership with a man from

Philadelphia, a Mr. Prince. A firm was then organized under the name of "Friedly Prince and Wilson." From then on the marble was taken down the mountain to East Dorset and then was shipped to Philadelphia.

"It was interesting to hear of the way they handled the marble. Two yokes were hitched onto the front of the blocks to guide them down the mountain-side and two yokes were hitched onto the rear of the heavy old wagon to hold it back. Then all four yokes would haul the wagon back up the hill.

Derrick a Labor-Saver.

"These old quarries that were worked in those days now appear from the valley on the mountain-side to the West of East Dorset. They were last worked by a man by the name of Eaton. They form part of the same vein that is now being worked at Danby.

"Another interesting story was told by my grandfather about the rejoicing and celebration that attended the introduction of the derrick in the marble industry. The 100 or more men, who formed the gang that worked the quarries, were hilarious. They seemed to think that there wouldn't be any more work to do, once the derricks were installed. They were partly right, I guess, for the work must have been much less arduous after the derricks took over much of the labor."

SAWYER BLOCK IS SOLD FOR \$80,000

Morris and Harry Fienberg Are Purchasers in Mer- chants Row Deal.

Miles S. Sawyer, agent for Mrs. Mary P. Clark of this city and Miss Barbara Sawyer, and Henry Sawyer of California, owners of the Putnam-Sawyer Block on Merchants Row adjacent to the Clement Bank Building, this morning sold the property to Morris Fienberg of this city and Harry Fienberg of Bennington. The sale was made through the W. H. Wills real estate office of Bennington, and the price paid was said to be about \$80,000.

It is the largest real estate transaction that has taken place in Rutland since the sale nearly two years ago of the Nicholas-Crampton property to F. W. Woolworth & Company for \$96,000.

The sale to the new owners is made subject to the leases and contracts on the building, it was announced.

The building is a three story brick structure with three stores on Merchants Row and two on Evelyn Street and it is listed in the Real estate book as assessed for \$34,300.

The brick building on Merchants Row was erected in 1875 and the wooden structure on Evelyn Street in 1885.

The main brick building has three stores on the ground floor, occupied by the James A. Lillis Clothing Co., William S. Smith Shoe Store and the George A. Chilmers book and stationery stores. Chalmers also uses the two stores on Evelyn Street which are connected with the Merchants Row store.

On the second floor are the Lillis store, Walter A. Clark's insurance office, and Victor Levin's tailoring shop. The Rutland Railroad occupies the third floor for offices.

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November 4, 1926

FRANZONI TO SELL ATTACHED AIRPLANE

Rutland is going to see one of the queerest auction sales in the history of the city at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning, November 13.

At that time a J-N-4 Curtis aeroplane will be put up for sale in the public highway on Spellman Terrace. A notice posted on the City Hall bulletin board states that the machine is being sold by Deputy Sheriff Almo B. Franzoni for debts incurred by G. Colloni with the South Main Street Garage.

BAXTER GIFT REPRESENTS LARGE SUM

Value of Property Offered
to City Is Set At About
\$100,000.

SOME CONDITIONS

Mr. Baxter Would Also Do-
nate Plot of Ground
Opposite.

The value of the property which Hugh H. Baxter of New York and Rutland wishes to give to the people of the city for war relics and data has been set at approximately \$100,000. In addition to what is now known as the Baxter Library at Grove Street and Library Avenue. Mr. Baxter would give the city the semi-circular shaped piece of land bordering on Grove Street and Library Avenue and sunning from the corner formed by the street junction to the stone and iron gate of Grove Lodge.

Mr. Baxter's formal offer read:

'I will make a gift to the city of Rutland of the H. H. Baxter Memorial Library building together with a lot which it occupies, first putting the building into thorough repair at my own expense, on condition that the City will:

"First—maintain the building in perpetuity as a war memorial, for the purpose of collecting, safeguarding and exhibiting documents, data, relics etc. connected with the Civil War, or, at their discretion, with any war of which the United States was a participant: and

Second:—that the bronze tablet in the vestibule of the building be allowed to remain perpetually in its present position: and

"Third:—that the building and grounds shall never be used for any purposes other than the one described above. Note: I have no objection of removal of the stone work on the front of the building."

The offer is signed by Mr. Baxter and dated July 3, 1926.

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SNAPPY CURTIS BIPLANE BRINGS ONLY \$130 AT SALE HERE TODAY

"Come on boys, bid her up; it's cheaper to fly than walk!"

Thus shouted Deputy Sheriff Almo Franzoni as he stood today in Spellman Terrace, surrounded by a crowd of spectators and men interested in the Curtis airplane which was up for auction.

The sale took about five minutes and it ended with the possession of the plane passing into the hands of R. E. Pease of Hudson Falls, N. Y., for the small sum of \$130.

It was nearly three years ago that George Collini of the Vineland Aviation School in Vineland, N. J., decided to give Rutland a thrill. He swooped down over the city, did a few turns and then headed south. As he passed over an orchard on the

edge of the city he struck an apple tree and completely wrecked the plane. It was hauled to the South Main Street Garage where it has been ever since. Collini never came to claim it.

Today the only bidders were Pease and several of the garage men, who were interested in boosting the price over the \$118 that they will receive for storing the wreckage.

The New York man was much interested in obtaining the wrecked plane because, he said, it corresponds exactly to another wrecked machine which he recently bought and reconditioned. Pease has taken over the planes of D. A. Rickard, a famous Schenectady pilot.

The Rutland Evening News
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Baxter Library To Await Action Of Aldermen's Board

Committee Considering
Matter Is Not Expected
to Report Monday.

The special committee appointed to consider the gift to the City of the Baxter Library by Hugh H. Baxter will probably not submit its report at the meeting of the Board of Aldermen Monday evening.

The committee has not conferred with Mr. Baxter yet and he has returned to his home in New Rochelle, N. Y., it is not likely that he will return until after Monday's meeting.

Reports about the business district that the City is contemplating the purchase of the Baxter homestead on Grove Street for a new high school are termed groundless by City officials.

BAXTER WITHDRAWS HIS PROFFER OF PROPERTY

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BAXTER GIFT NOT FAVORED BY ALDERMEN

Special Committee Appointed
Has Given Matter No
Formal Attention.

WANT CHANGES

Sentiment Is That Without
Restrictions Gift Would
Be Appreciated.

Unless Hugh H. Baxter removes some of the restrictions on his proffered gift to the city of the Baxter Library, it will not be accepted, sentiment among members of the special committee of the Board of Aldermen indicates. The Aldermen apparently reflect prevailing opinion throughout the city.

At least the special committee, appointed by the Aldermen to investigate the gift, has held no meeting to discuss the proposition, and no report will be made at the regular meeting of the Board next Monday evening.

It is pointed out that on account of the restrictions placed on the gift, whereby it can only be used as a War museum, few persons would make use of it, and the heating, repairs and other incidental expenses would cost the city \$5000 a year.

However, sentiment seems to be that if Mr. Baxter would give the building without restriction, and if it could be used for a public school library or for other useful purposes, the gift would be greatly appreciated.

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Other War Memorials.

It is further pointed out that Rutland has other War Memorial buildings such as the Armory, the Rutland Free Library and the Legion home.

A recent survey of the city shows that the central part of Rutland is located within a radius of 500 feet of the Baxter Library, and if the city at some future date, plans to build a new modern high school, the property would be a great asset.

The Rutland Evening News
December 7, 1926

MAYOR GIVES VIEWS ON BAXTER GIFT

Approves Action of Aldermen
Rejecting Library for
Use As War Museum

Mayor James C. Dunn said this morning to a representative of the Rutland Evening News, that if Hugh H. Baxter would deed the Baxter Library to the City, free of all restrictions, so that the city could make whatever use of the building it desired, he would favor accepting the gift.

He said that while he himself has received no information from Mr. Baxter about his willingness to remove the restrictions, he understood that one member of the Board had received information from the donor to the effect that the gift would be made only as contained in a letter that he had already sent to the Board of Aldermen, and which contained many restrictions.

WILL DISPOSE OF LIBRARY IN OTHER MANNER

Refuses to Entertain Suggestion of Taking Off
Restrictions.

HOTEL RUMOR

Likewise Suggested That
Homestead Would Be Ideal
High School Site.

City officials have received a letter from Hugh H. Baxter, of New Rochelle, N. Y., that his offer to give to the City the Baxter Library, as a war museum, and also a stretch of road near the intersection of Grove Street and Library Avenue, has been withdrawn.

The action of Mr. Baxter follows the turning down of the offer in its original form, but informing him that the city would reconsider if he removed the restrictions with which the original proffer was surrounded.

The action of Mr. Baxter probably means that the City will get no further offers from him.

Although there is no definite information it is said that Mr. Baxter plans to dispose of the Baxter homestead in the near future and there has been a persistent rumor about the business section for the past two weeks that the property had been sold to New York parties who were going to build an elaborate hotel on the site.

For sometime since the discussion of the proposed new high school started some have been of the opinion that it would be an ideal location for a high school.

The property, according to a survey of the City made about two years ago, is located within 200 yards of the central point of the city.

The Baxter property for nearly 50 years has been one of the show places of the city and some 30 years ago when Mr. Baxter resided in the place it was one of the social centers of this section of the state.

Woman's Club Debates Baxter Library Purchase

Also Considers Other Propositions, Directors Favor Memorial.

LEGION AROUSED

Another Letter Tells Local Post They Must Pay Over \$16,000.

By a vote of 13 to eight, the Executive Board of the Rutland Woman's Club last Saturday voted to purchase the Baxter Memorial Library on Grove Street, it was announced this afternoon at a meeting of the club. Four other women who were not present at the Saturday meeting, telephoned their affirmative vote, bringing the total to 17 to eight.

At the same time George A. Sabin, Commander of the Rutland Post of the American Legion, announced that the post had received a letter today from Hugh H. Baxter of New Rochelle, N. Y., stating that he would sell the library to the Legion if they made him an offer between \$16,000 and \$18,000, but that he had offered it to the Woman's Club for \$12,500.

"Wouldn't Take It As a Gift?"

"Why we wouldn't even take that place as a gift now," Mr. Sabin said as the contents of the Baxter letter were broadcast among Legion members here today. The indignation of many of the men was exceedingly intense. All of them resented the idea of placing the price for the Legion at a figure from \$3,500 to \$5,500 higher than that at which it has been offered to the Woman's Club.

At a meeting of the Woman's Club the proposed purchase of the library was discussed for two hours and no decision was reached. Among the other considerations were the Johnson property on North Main Street and a piece of land on Cottage Street near West Street. Discussion will be continued at a meeting to be held next Tuesday afternoon.

Refused to Sell It Once.

It was also learned that the Building Committee of the club had asked Mr. Baxter if they could purchase the property before the City had refused it as a gift. He said at that time that if the City refused it he had other plans and would under no circumstances consider giving or selling it to any organization. The matter was then dropped and some time after the City's refusal an agent of Mr. Baxter solicited their interest in the building.

The Building Fund of the club now totals \$6,711.71, it was reported.

The Rutland Evening News
January 14, 1927

Woman's Club and Legion Both Bid On Baxter Library

Women Understood to Have Raised Service Men's Offer From 8 to \$12,000.

Two local organizations are vying with each other for possession of the Baxter Library on Grove Street and there is a possibility that the old memorial will before long find itself transformed into a clubhouse.

It became known today that the Rutland Woman's Club has sent an offer to Hugh H. Baxter of New Rochelle, N. Y., of \$12,000 for the property.

While Mrs. P. W. Freeman, President of the club, would not say whether or not this offer had actually been made, she confirmed today the fact that the club is greatly interested in the old stone building and has been seriously debating its practicality as a permanent home. She also said that the building committee has made visits to the place and planned how it might be utilized if it could be purchased.

The other offer has gone to Mr. Baxter from the Rutland Post of the American Legion and names \$8,000 as the price that that organization is willing to pay for the place. George A. Sabin, local Commander, said today that no acceptance has yet been received.

Meanwhile the use of the building as a memorial library is being discontinued and the books are being disposed of.

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January 4, 1927

H. H. BAXTER SELLS BOOKS IN LIBRARY

Experts Now There Going Over Valuables in Memorial Building.

1500 VOLUMES

Collection Is Most Valuable One According to Those Having Knowledge.

Rutland is soon to lose the Baxter Memorial Library, established here more than 30 years ago in the grey stone building on Grove Street opposite the Baxter Estate by the late Mrs. H. H. Baxter and the present Hugh H. Baxter in memory of her husband and his father.

For more than a week now the old book experts have been working in the place cataloging, pricing and sorting out the 1,400 or 1,500 volumes and preparing them for sale. It has not yet been decided, it is said, whether they will be offered at public auction in New York City or sold as a lot. A few of the books will be kept by the Baxters themselves.

Meanwhile both the large estate on the North side of Library Avenue and the library building on the South side of the avenue are on the market. Neither has yet been sold, although several interested parties have inspected the buildings.

The Rutland Evening News
January 7, 1927

Baxter Library Price \$25,000 Legion Would Buy For Less

When the city of Rutland refused the Baxter Memorial Library as a gift because of the restrictions placed on the offer, H. H. Baxter put the building on the market at \$25,000.

This information was revealed today as it was announced that the directors of the Rutland Post of the American Legion will inspect the building tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with the idea in mind of buying the place and selling their present home providing that a more

reasonable price will be placed on it.

The former Edgar C. Paige residence on Cottage Street, which the Legion Post now occupies is valued at more than \$16,000 of which \$8,000 is represented by a mortgage.

It also became known today that the Rutland Woman's Club has inspected the memorial with an idea of purchasing it for a home for that organization, but it is understood that the building was not deemed suitable to the club's needs. The Woman's Club at present has a sizeable building fund.

The Rutland Evening News
January 19, 1927

Proposed Purchase of Baxter Library Is the Subject of Much Talk

Rutland Women Informally
Debate Question; to Be
Decided Next Week.

Undoubtedly the most talked of subject among the women of Rutland today is the Baxter Memorial as the proposed clubhouse for the Rutland Woman's Club.

And furthermore it promises to continue being the most talked of subject for some time to come, or at least until the question is definitely decided upon by vote of members of the club.

And, then to carry out the statement to its fullest possibilities, it may or may not cease to be the topic of conversation, according to the decision made.

A Thoughtful Subject

It is a subject that requires much thought and no hasty verdict, and those whom it vitally concerns promise to give it much thought, at least according to the trend of the meeting that was held yesterday afternoon in Trinity Parish House.

Mrs. David B Twigg, chairman of the trustees of the building fund and chief spokesman of the afternoon went into detail about the researches and investigations made by members of the building fund committee. She brought to light the fact that not just an occasional hour was spent in looking over possible sites and buildings, but actually consecutive days of hard work, of weighing advantages and disadvantages, and of budgeting probable yearly expenses in order to present to the club a logical and complete report.

Mr. Baxter Says "No!"

Not a single possibility was overlooked, whether lot or home, and then came this unusual coincidence of the Baxter Memorial. At first flush it appeared the most tangible solution for a suitable clubhouse. But the enthusiasm of the trustees was dampened somewhat when they understood that Hugh H. Baxter, owner of the much coveted memorial, would not consider selling it to any private organization. This sentiment was expressed when the representatives for the Woman's Club first evinced an interest in the library, which was before the city had definitely refused it as a gift.

Mr. Baxter Says "Yes."

Their ardor checked, the trustees dropped the Baxter Library from their list. But much to their surprise, a little less than a month ago, Charles Novak, agent for Mr. Baxter, payed them a business call and sought to rekindle their interest in the property. From then on the matter was gone into very minutely. Stone masons were engaged to look over the building thoroughly and estimate the possible cost of repairs.

The matter, as it was presented in its

financial aspect to the members yesterday, appeared as follows: The purchase of the memorial involves a cash payment of \$12,500, which means that the club must assume a debt of approximately \$6,000, since its own building fund amounts to \$6,711.71; repairs require \$3,000, bringing the total to \$15,500. A bargain at first appearance, especially since the library is not the work of ordinary builders, but a perfect type of Romanesque architecture.

Objectors to the proposition, however, would have it not so much of a bargain after all. "What to do with the adjoining lot if restrictions on the property prohibited the sale of either the lot or of the building for commercial purposes?" "Why saddle the club with a possible white elephant?" "Consider the cost of heating and of lighting, and of insuring." These points are all being raised.

Many Sides.

Supporters point out the fact that the yearly expenses of heating, lighting, insuring and other current expenses would be incurred regardless of what sort of a clubhouse they might own. "The restrictions are an advantage rather than a hindrance, since they protect that limited section from ungainly looking stores." "The club may wish to add to the present building." "The lot would be ideal for such purposes." Those are points on the other side that are being brought forward.

And all these questions are being discussed now among small groups until next Tuesday, when Mrs. Purly W. Freeman, President, has declared that the entire meeting period shall be devoted to an open discussion of the matter. It is possible that a decision will be reached at that time.

BAXTER LIBRARY OFFER AROUSES RUTLAND POST CHIEF SABIN DECLARES

SAY HE RAISED PROPERTY PRICE TO LEGIONNAIRES

Statement Made That Place
Even As Gift Is Un-
acceptable.

INTERESTS OTHERS

Price to Legion \$16,000 and
to Woman's Club It
Is \$12,000.

"The American Legion will give no further consideration to the purchase of the Baxter Memorial Library, at any price," said George A. Sabin, Commander of the Rutland Post. The prevailing sentiment among local Legionnaires, he added, is that the Legion does not now want the property, even as a gift, and as far as they are concerned, the Baxter Library can crumble before the Rutland Post will feel disposed to take possession. It is, therefore, quite apparent that Hugh H. Baxter's offer to the Legion, as outlined in a letter received from him by Mr. Sabin yesterday, asking between \$16,000 and \$18,000 for the library, is not looked upon by Legionnaires as a concession calculated to "set the world on fire."

The same property has been offered to the Rutland Woman's Club for \$12,500, and a special meeting will be held by this organization on Tuesday evening next for the purpose of settling the question of purchase on the basis offered. Last week, by a vote of 17 to 8, the Woman's Club resolved to purchase the Baxter Library, but it is understood that the price in mind at that time was \$12,000.

Although a special meeting of the Rutland Post American Legion, is called for 7:30 o'clock tonight, in the Legion Home, it is not for the purpose of further considering the purchase of the Baxter property, but had originally been called for this purpose prior to the receipt of Mr. Baxter's letter yesterday. Since that time, members of the local Post have decided that they are about as likely to purchase the Baxter Library as they are to bid on the ruins of the Roman Empire or the wreck of the Titanic.

The Rutland Evening News
January 22, 1927

H. H. BAXTER IS MISREPRESENTED

Sabin Quotes Letter to
Show There Was
Misunderstanding.

In order to correct a misunderstanding over the proposed purchase of the Baxter Memorial Library, it should be stated that, contrary to a previous report, George A. Sabin, Commander of Rutland Post, American Legion, did not receive a letter from Hugh H. Baxter of New Rochelle, N. Y., offering the Library to the Legion at a price ranging between \$16,000 and \$18,000. The letter referred to was received by Charles E. Novak, Attorney, and made an direct offer to the Legion except that they would be given an opportunity to bid on the property after the Woman's Club and the Daughters of the American Revolution had had first choice. The letter stated, however, that the former two organizations, if a purchase was made, would receive the property at a much lower figure than would be accepted from the American Legion.

In a letter received by Mr. Sabin from Mr. Baxter today, the latter explains his views on the situation and states his reason for not giving the first option to the Legion. He also desires to make it quite clear that he had no intention of offering an affront to the Rutland Post with whose cause he has every sympathy. Mr. Sabin also states that the affair has created no ill feeling between the Legion members and Mr. Baxter.

Mr. Baxter's letter reads in part as follows:

"I have received from Rutland this morning a newspaper clipping which seems to imply that I have affronted the Legion in the matter of the sale of the Library building. As this was the last thing on earth I intended to do, I will give you a statement of the whole matter from the beginning.

"Prior to my placing the building in the market, I received communications from the Woman's Club and from the Daughters of the Revolution, asking me to donate this building to them. I replied that I would not donate the building to any society, club or other organization. I then placed the building in the hands of Mr. Novak with authority to sell at twenty-five thousand dollars. I had a personal interest in the Daughters of the Revolution as my mother was a member of the society. While in Rutland this fall, Mr. Baxter became interested in the Woman's Club, and we decided that we would sell to either of these organizations at a much lower figure than my original offering price.

"In a recent letter to Mr. Novak I reduced my price of twenty-five thousand to sixteen or eighteen thousand to the Legion or any other organization other than the two I have mentioned above, in both of which Mrs. Baxter and I had a personal interest.

"May I asked you, as Commander of the Rutland Post, to make the true facts in the matter public, and to assure the members of the Legion that nothing was farther from my thoughts than to discriminate against such a worthy and patriotic organization."

Thus, Mr. Baxter gives a logical and easily understood explanation of the entire situation as regards the sale of the Library property.

The Rutland Evening News
January 26, 1927

Woman's Club Won't Buy Baxter Library

After a debate which lasted the entire afternoon, members of the Woman's Club at a meeting yesterday voted not to purchase the Baxter Memorial. Mrs. Twigg, chairman of the Building Fund Committee, gave a complete report of the work done by the committee with reference to the Baxter Library.

The Rutland Evening News
January 24, 1927

Baxter Library Books Are Sold To Chas. Tuttle

Valuable Collection May Be
Resold to N. E.
Institution.

The Tuttle Company of this city, has purchased the entire collection of books contained in the Baxter Memorial Library, and it is expected that, in the near future, the library will be sold intact to some public institution in New England. As yet, no definite sale has been closed.

The majority of these books are sources of information along the lines of the higher arts, such as painting, etching, drawing, costuming, music and architecture. Some of the books are very valuable; whereas there are many which would not fetch unusually high prices.

General Baxter Library.

The library was originally founded, according to the Memorial Library Catalogue, in memory of Horace Henry Baxter, who was born in Saxtons River, on January 18, 1818. He was the eldest son of Horace Baxter, Esq., for many years a practicing lawyer in Rockingham, Judge of Probate, and a very popular and eminent citizen of Windham County.

The books were selected between the years 1886 and 1891, by Walter H. Pomerooy of New York City. General Baxter lived to see the library practically completed, though the building had not been opened to the public at the time of his death in 1891.

Many Beautiful Volumes.

The selection of books rested almost exclusively among the following four classes: The great galleries of art, amply represented for the Italian schools by Raphael, Michael Angelo and their followers; Dutch and Flemish by Rubens, Rembrandt and Van Dyck; English by Turner and Landseer; French etchings and genre painting, the originals of which have figured in the Paris salons for the past 20 years; biographical and historical books pertaining to America books relating to the War of Independence and subsequent wars of 1812 and 1861; books selected for their rarity, insofar as date and place of imprint are concerned, and also several fine specimens relating to the art of printing in its infancy, many having been collected for their sumptuous or historical bindings.

M. E. WHEELER PROMINENT CITIZEN, DIES

Succumbs to Illness of One
Week At His Main St.
Home.

MANY INTERESTS

Deceased Was Chief Backer
of Dana Hall; Banker;
Manufacturer.

Marcellus E. Wheeler, 76, known as "Rutland's wealthiest citizen" died at his home, 37 North Main Street, at 6.15 o'clock this morning, after an illness of a week. The funeral will be Thursday morning at 10 o'clock at the residence. Rev. E. C. Boynton will conduct prayer. Burial will be at Pawlet.

Mr. Wheeler was prominent in business activities, notably as the head of M. E. Wheeler & Company, fertilizer manufacturers, a company which he founded 50 years ago. He was General Manager of, and a large stockholder in, the American Agricultural and Chemical Company for many years. He had retired from active work 10 years ago, but still retained an interest in his many business activities. He recently sold his summer home "Wheelerville" at Mendon.

Banking Interest.

For 24 years Mr. Wheeler served as a trustee of the Marble Savings Bank here, and he was re-elected Vice-president yesterday having been elected to that office on June 28, 1926. He became a trustee in January, 1903.

Mr. Wheeler was a backer of Miss Cook, formerly of Rutland, the founder of Dana Hall, a preparatory school near Wellesley College, and he held an interest of about one-half in the institution, the investment in which was estimated at a million dollars.

Born in Wells.

He was born at Wells on April 14, 1850. It was there that he married Julia Sheldon. They moved to Rutland more than 40 years ago and have lived here since that time. Mr. Wheeler was a son of Lyman Wheeler and Sally Johnson Wheeler. He attended the Congregational Church here.

Surviving are the wife, a daughter, Mrs. Charles P. Hutchins; a son, Frank S. Wheeler of Mount Pleasant, Tenn.; five grandchildren, Emma Louise Wheeler, Helen M. Wheeler, George F. Hutchins, 2nd; Charles Wheeler Hutchins, and Mrs. J. Henry Orr. He formerly had a son, Julius Hutchins, and one great-grandchild, Helen Julia Orr.

The Rutland Evening News
February 3, 1927

HOLD LAST RITES FOR M. E. WHEELER

Officers and Directors of
Marble Savings Bank
Act As Bearers.

Funeral services for Marcellus E. Wheeler who died Tuesday morning at his home on North Main street, were held at 11 o'clock today at the house, Rev. Edward C. Boynton, pastor of the Congregational Church officiating.

The honorary bearers were Charles M. Smith, Earl S. Wright and L. H. Baldwin, officers, and B. L. Stafford, Howard F. Woodfin and Samuel A. Howard, directors of the Marble Saving Bank.

Included among the many flowers were tributes from the Marble Saving Bank, First National Bank of Mount Pleasant, Tenn., Rotary Club of Mount Pleasant, Tenn., American Agricultural-Chemical Co., and the Parent-Teacher Association of Mendon.

The body was taken to Pawlet for burial.

Charles R. Tossing had charge of the funeral arrangements.

The Rutland Evening News
February 11, 1927

NO WILL LEFT BY "RUTLAND'S RICHEST MAN"

Wife of Late Millionaire
Is Appointed As
Administratrix.

HAD LARGE HOLDINGS

Appraisers and Commis-
sioners Are Selected For
Estate.

Marcellus E. Wheeler, known as "Rutland's wealthiest citizen," who died at his home, 37 North Main Street, on the morning of February 1, 1927, left no will.

This fact was made known today in the office of Judge Harvey R. Kingsley of the Probate Court.

His widow, Julia S. Wheeler, has been appointed administratrix of the estate, the value of which is estimated at several million dollars.

Large Holdings.

Mr. Wheeler had approximately a half interest in Dana Hall, a preparatory school near Wellesley College, the investment in which was estimated at a million dollars. He was for 24 years a trustee of the Marble Savings Bank of this city and was this year re-elected Vice-president of that institution shortly before his death. Among other interests, Mr. Wheeler was head of M. E. Wheeler and Company, fertilizer manufacturers and for a number of years was General Manager of, as well as a large stockholder in the American Agricultural Chemical Company.

N. K. Chaffee, L. H. Baldwin and A. C. Hughes are the appraisers of the estate, and N. K. Chaffee and L. H. Baldwin have been appointed Commissioners.

The Rutland Express
January 4, 1907

Fortnightly Foundation As a Social, Mental, Spiritual Stimulus Organized in 1879 By Con- gregational Church Pastor.

There are some histories that stop with chronological lists of dates and names and histories whose names and events create a living story of romance and intellectual adventure; and to this latter category belongs that of the Fortnightly Foundation.

In 1879 Mrs. Paige, President of the church, voiced a thought that the young ladies of the parish found a society that should be a social, mental, and spiritual stimulus in their lives, he little realized to what heights this embryonic group would rise. That he had great hopes for its development was evident when he singled out Mrs. John E. Paige as its leader, a woman of extraordinary character and mental ability.

Mrs. Paige guided the members unerringly for a year, suggesting, planning and quietly moulding the ideals and aspirations of the young society. Three Committees were formed; one on Social Activities, one on Studies, and one on Christian Work. The work of each committee is indicated by the fact that each attended to its allotted duties with sufficient proof of the fact that each committee was somewhat absorbed by the work done by the Committee on Christian Work.

Classes were formed in Ancient and Modern History and also in Literature and Art. At that time there were no printed programs and the actual work of preparing topics and questions for discussion in had to be done by the committee before each meeting. The meetings were a source of great enjoyment and knowledge, especially for those of the parish who had home duties to attend to and were loath to sacrifice their interest in things of the mind altogether.

Reception for Mrs. Dorr.
And so the inspirational meetings continued for a year, opening fresh avenues of research and knowledge for the devoted and appreciative members. The outstanding social event of that year, of its existence was an elaborate and beautifully executed reception given in honor of Mrs. Julia C. R. Dorr, Vermont's foremost poet. There was a double honor attached to this feat for it was the occasion of Mrs. Dorr's first public appearance.

But at the close of the first year, Mrs. Paige found that her duties as the wife of a prominent public man, and as mistress of a spacious and beautiful home were too exacting and made it impossible for her to continue presiding as president of the Fortnightly. Now she was confronted with the difficult task of finding someone with her executive ability, and her unceasing mental ability, and her beloved Fortnightly to assume the leadership. Mrs. Paige's outstanding possibility.

WEIGHTOGRAPH PLANT TO BE

The Rutland Evening News
February 14, 1927

125 FAMILIES SOON TO COME TO RUTLAND

30 Carloads of Machinery
Will Be Brought From
St. Louis.

MANY ALTERATIONS

Howe Scale Works Will Use
Present Buildings
Temporarily.

While St. Louis business authorities were still insisting today that the Howe Scale Company's Rutland plant would be removed to St. Louis to property adjoining the Weightograph Works, it was definitely stated by a Howe Scale Company official that moving of the Weightograph plant to Rutland will be started within a very short time. It will probably be a month before the task is completed and the St. Louis scale workers come here.

With the installation of the Weightograph plant here, approximately 125 families will move to Rutland from St. Louis.

MOVED HERE AT ONCE

The Rutland Evening News
February 15, 1927

Many Alterations.

Extensive alterations are to be started at the Howe Company plant in preparation for the installation of the Weightograph machinery. For the present some of the scale works buildings will be used, no plans yet having been announced for the erection of new buildings.

An idea of the volume of machinery and equipment to moved here in indicated by the Howe Company official's estimate that it will probably take 30 railroad freight cars to transport the machines here.

Will Mean Local Boom.

The Weightograph, recently acquired by the Howe Scale Company during a visit to St. Louis by F. G. Riehl and W. E. Seymour, President and Superintendent, respectively, of the Howe Scale Company, is a new invention, and an innovation in scales. A feature of the device is that weight is registered instantaneously, whereas on ordinary scales, there is a delay while the indicator wage back and forth.

The coming here of the weightograph industry will mean a boom to Rutland industry and prosperity. The news has been received, therefore, with general rejoicing here.

ARE YOU FROM MISSOURI?

"WEIGHTOGRAPH PLANT TO BE MOVED HERE AT ONCE"

Such a headline emblazoned the front page of yesterday's issue of The Rutland Evening News and with that announcement all the "poppy-cock" and "blanderdash" that has been circulated here and in St. Louis for the past month or more is put to shame.

It was the Chamber of Commerce in St. Louis that saw, with the purchase of the Weightograph Company here by the Howe Scale Company, a probability that the St. Louis plant would be removed from their fair city, with the resultant loss of another industry—and a growing one too. According they began to try to convince the officers of the Rutland company that it would be much cheaper to move the Rutland plant to St. Louis than to move the St. Louis plant back to Vermont. The Howe officials looked at them quizzically and said little.

Then an ambitious St. Louis press bureau sent stories into Rutland telling of the PROBABILITY of the Howe Company moving to St. Louis. The Rutland Evening News did not print that story, although it received it at noon one day, realizing that there was probably little real truth in it.

Now, the removal of the St. Louis plant to Rutland seems to quiet all unrest and in itself an assurance that Rutland will not be crippled by the removal of its chief industrial plant. No company is going to move some 30 carloads of machinery all the way from Missouri to Vermont, only to remove them back to St. Louis again within a short time.

No; Rutland may breathe easily again, for instead of the city being hurt by what is going to happen, it will greatly benefit by the influx of several hundred Missouri workers and their families. It will mean a slightly increased population and one more expansion move.

And so, if you're from Missouri and have to see to believe, just wait a week or so and then watch the carloads of machinery coming here from that same State of Missouri and maybe then you'll be convinced that the Howe Scale Company is going to stay here after all!

The Rutland Evening News
February 8, 1927

CLUBHOUSE UNDERGOES CHANGES



Extensive repairs are being made to the Green Mountain Club House on Sherburne road, shown above. These have been going on since the annual meeting in October and will be finished about June 1 in time for the coming season. The ice house, which has been situated near the main building, has been moved nearer the road, where it will be easier and less expensive to fill it each year and in the main buildings still further her changes have been made. The kitchen which is about 10 by 20 feet has been made over as an addition to the dining room. A new and much larger kitchen has been built on back.

The kitchen and dining room will be newly refinished and redecorated and the latest modern conveniences will be installed. The general chairman of the committee in charge of the repairs is Wallace Fay.

The Rutland Evening News
January 8, 1927

NUNS TRANSFER LAND TO DIOCESE

All lands owned by Evelyn Pierpont at the time of his death which lie South of River Street, and the land of the Clarendon & Pittsford Railway Corporation and east of Otter Creek, lying Southerly and Westerly from lands of the Clarendon & Pittsford Railway Company and East of Otter Creek extending Southerly to the new Catholic Cemetery and Westerly on the South side of land formerly of William Traynor, have been conveyed by the Sisters of St. Joseph's Society of Rutland, to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington. This land was conveyed by Anna E. Pierpont, administrator of the estate of Evelyn W. Pierpont, to Rev. Thomas J. Gaffney, on October 7, 1897.

The Rutland Evening News
February 12, 1927

French - Catholic Church Here Is A Building of Note

Organization of Parish Began Between 1853 and 1885.

(Editor's Note: This is one of a series of articles on Rutland's churches and the clergy in charge.)

As early as 1853, according to "The Churches of Rutland," a book published in 1900 by Brehmer Brothers of this city, Father Quicillion used to come all the way from Burlington to say mass in the house of Joseph P. Mailhoit on Main Street. Other priests also came to say mass at the homes of French Canadians in Rutland and vicinity, although there was at that time no Catholic organization here.

About the year 1855, however, Father Z. Druon was sent to Rutland to take charge of both French and English-speaking Catholics. He later built a small brick church on Meadow Street, where both French and English-speaking parishioners worshipped until 1869, when the Bishop thought it high time that the French-Canadians had a priest and a church of their own.

Three Priests Arrive.

Accordingly, he sent three priests to Rutland, Father L. G. Gagnier, rector, Father J. A. Boissonnault and Father J. A. Pelletier, assistants. They organized the parish with a view to ministering to the religious needs of all French-Canadians in the Southern part of Vermont. They also served West Rutland, Fair Haven, Orwell, Shoreham, Proctorsville and Danby.

Not long after this, the plan was found to be too expensive and the missions were divided, Father Gagnier remaining alone in Rutland, with West Rutland and an out-mission, the others going elsewhere.

Masses were first celebrated in a hall at the corner of Merchants Row and Center Street. A lot was later secured on Lincoln Avenue, a frame building was erected and was used as a Church from January, 1870, until December 24, 1893. A house and lot near it were later purchased and used as a parochial residence. In a house on West Street, the Sisters of the Holy Name of Jesus and Mary started a convent school and thus completed the organization of the parish.

WATERSHED BOUGHT

The Rutland Evening News
March 31, 1927

TRANSACTION IS COMPLETED AT NOON TODAY

Rutland Taxes Not to Be
Affected, It Is
Said.

MAY CUT TIMBER

Value of Ash On Property
Is Placed At Over
\$7,000.

The City of Rutland today purchased the much-discussed 2000 acre Wheeler property at Mendon for a water shed, it was learned by The Evening News at noon. Verification was obtained from one in authority in the matter. The purchase price was \$43,000.

The consummation of the deal will bring to an end a long series of interwoven events, including the attempt of a syndicate of Rutland men, headed by James Creed, to get \$45,000 for the land, upon which they had obtained an option, this price having been boosted from \$35,000 originally asked by Edward Dyer Wiltzie, before his option expired and the syndicate obtained its option.

FOR \$43,000

Thought Abandoned.

It was believed that the city's committee had definitely abandoned the project of making the purchase, when the State Board of Health looked into the matter and one of its representatives met with the committee here two weeks ago, after which meeting the State Board issued a bulletin announcing that "after an inspection by the State Board of Health of said Rutland City water supply, rules and regulations will be promulgated for the protection of the water supply of said Rutland City under authority of Chapter 271, Sections 6311-24 G. L. inclusive."

The resolution called for notification of its contents, to "the City of Rutland, the Wheeler Syndicate, and others owning property on the watershed."

Until today it was believed that negotiations for the purchase by the city had been permanently abandoned, being thought unnecessary in view of the action of the Board of Health.

Won't Affect Taxes.

The committee includes Alderman George M. Goddard, chairman, Mayor Arthur W. Perkins, City Attorney Jack Crowley, Richard H. Royce, commissioner of public works, H. O. Carpenter, Dennis J. Anthony, Alderman Arthur C. Grover, and Alderman Esme A. C. Smith.

It was stated this afternoon by a member of the committee that none of the \$43,000 would be raised by taxation. Part of the purchase price will come out of the city water fund and the balance will come from a surplus that exists in the city's general fund.

To Cut Timber.

It is also planned to cut about \$7000 from the purchase price by the cutting of ash timber on the property valued at about that sum. This loss of trees will not, it is stated, interfere with the Rutland water supply and will not affect the value of the watershed.

The Rutland Evening News
April 5, 1927

WILL BAN FISHING IN WHEELERVILLE

Aldermen Expect Board of
Health Will Order
Streams Closed.

The report of a special committee recommending the purchase by the city of the "Wheelerville" property on the watershed in Mendon for \$43,000, was accepted by the Board of Aldermen at a meeting last evening. The Board also approved the recommendation of Mayor Perkins that the city purchase a portion of the former Baxter estate, 400 feet wide along Church Street from Seabury Street to Library Avenue, for \$40,000 to be used as the site of a new high school.

The report which advised the buying of the Wheelerville property by the city also recommended that the Rutland County Fish and Game Protective Association be given permission to remove from the brooks on the tract all trout over the legal limit of six inches for planting elsewhere and be permitted to restock the streams and use them for rearing fish.

Thomas W. McKay, president of the Fish and Game Association, submitted a communication, voicing the opposition of that body to closing the stream to fishermen unless the State Board of Health deemed the action necessary.

The Rutland Evening News
April 11, 1927

Fishing In Water Shed Brooks Is Banned By State

Order Is Received From Vt.
Health Board By City
Clerk.

Fishing in the numerous natural trout streams that feed the city's water supply has been banned forever by the State Board of Health.

Announcement to this effect came today in the form of a communication to City Clerk Whittier which read:

"At a meeting of the State Board of Health held April 6, it was voted that an order be issued as follows:

"Under authority of Section 6312, General Laws of Vermont, all fishing is hereby prohibited in the streams of the Rutland water supply.

Can Use Drag.

"The City of Rutland is, therefore now empowered to post all these streams under order of the State Board of Health. The Board further expressed its opinion that it has no objection to the removal of legal fish by means of traps, seines or other contrivances under the supervision of the State Fish and Game officials."

The order covers all Wheelerville and Mendon brooks, Beaver Brook and numerous other large and small brooks, generally speaking, situated on either side of the main road between Rutland and the top of the mountain.

The Rutland County Fish and Game Association, it has been pointed out, may use these brooks to rear trout. The process would be to net the fish out as they matured and transplant them in other brooks where they would be available for catching in the usual way.

HUGH H. BAXTER ESTATE

PUT UP FOR SALE HERE

ELEVEN ACRES MAY BE USED AS RESORT COLONY

Charles Novak, Attorney
Here, Has Several Clients
Interested.

SUMMER HOTEL

Local and N. Y. Men Have
Proposed Such a
Plan.

Hugh H. Baxter's eleven-acre Grove Street estate was today put onto the market in Rutland. The price was not made public. Charles Novak, attorney, has the handling of the property.

Simultaneously with this announcement it was learned on good authority that half a dozen different persons or groups of persons have expressed an interest in the estate.

Hotel; Summer Colony.

Among the uses to which they propose to put the property, if they complete their negotiations for its purchase, are the establishment of a large Summer hotel, utilizing the old Baxter home as the main building, and establishment of a Summer resort colony, with a central heating plant and a number of small cottages on the North side of the land. If this latter scheme is carried out, the large house will serve as a community building, with bowling alleys, a ballroom and other facilities therein contained utilized for the guests of the colony.

Will Keep a Corner.

Mr. Baxter, who now resides in New Rochelle, N. Y., will keep for his own use a small section on the southeast corner, upon which a house now stands occupied by Henry Giroux and family.

Mr. Baxter at one time owned, not only the estate which has now been put on the market for sale, but also the Baxter Memorial Library, which was recently sold to the local Jewish organization for a synagogue, and the immense stretch of land across Grove Street from the library, which was purchased about four years ago by Dr. Robert Weir and Levi F. Miner.

Sold Four Acres.

Five years ago Mr. Baxter sold about four acres off the north side of the estate to the local Methodist Church. Seabury Street was then cut through and now forms the northerly boundary of the present property offered for sale by Mr. Baxter through Mr. Novak.

Among those who have expressed an interest in the purchase of the property are a number of New York men, who have grouped themselves together and who may, if they complete the purchase, turn the place into a Summer hotel; several local men who also have the hotel idea in mind and a group that proposed to create the Summer colony and erect several dozen cottages to the rear of the large house.

BAXTER LIBRARY IS BEING REMODELED

Formal Opening of New Synagogue Will Take Place In May.

The equipment formerly used in the Jewish Synagogue on West Street, together with a variety of new furnishings, will be moved into the new quarters in the Baxter Memorial Library on Grove Street in about three weeks time, according to Samuel Frank of Lincoln Avenue, who is one of the leaders of the local Jewish community.

Mr Frank stated today that a formal opening of the new Synagogue would be held probably during the early part of May, when special ceremonies will be a feature of the dedicatory exercises. No definite program has so far been mapped out.

A doorway is now being cut through the brick wall which separates the entrance of the library from the librarian's room, and a wooden platform has been constructed at the South end of the building, where a pulpit will soon be erected. All new woodwork will be finished in a yellowish tint to match the surroundings. The building will be thoroughly inspected inside and out and all necessary repairs will be made within the next few weeks, Mrs. Frank announced.

The Rutland Evening News
February 25, 1927

N. Y.-Vermont Sign Champlain Span Pact

Burlington, Feb. 25.—A treaty under which the States of New York and Vermont agree to build a \$1,000,000 bridge across Lake Champlain was signed last night in Albany, N. Y. Under the agreement, New York State assumes 60 per cent. and Vermont 40 per cent. of the cost of the span each. State will make a cash appropriation to total \$200,000 and bonds for \$800,000 more will be issued.

A toll of \$31 per automobile is to be charged until the bridge is paid for, after which it will become free. Federal sanction for the bridge is being sought in Congress under a bill introduced by Representative Snell.

Those who signed the treaty tonight were former Senator Mortimer Y. Ferris, Harry E. Owen and Roy E. Lockwood of New York State and Senator Stanley Wilson, Attorney General J. Ward Carver and William F. Warner for Vermont.

The Rutland Evening News
March 28, 1927

HOLD LAST SERVICE AT OLD SYNAGOGUE

Expect New House of Wor- ship Will Be Completed Early In June.

"There will be no official opening of the synagogue of the Congregation Adath Israel new quarters of which will be in the former Memorial Library building on Grove Street, until May at the earliest and probably not until some time in June," said Samuel Frank of Lincoln Avenue, this morning.

Mr. Frank states that there is a considerable amount of construction work to be completed before the library will be fully equipped to serve its new purpose. Several men are now engaged in making various alterations and it is hoped that all necessary work will be done within the next two or three weeks.

The old Synagogue at the corner of West and Elm Streets was used for the last time yesterday when a supper was served in the dining hall. Full particulars of the official opening and dedication of the newly acquired premises will be issued at a later date.

The Rutland Evening News
March 28, 1927

Gov. Smith Signs Bill for Vt.-New York Span

Albany, N. Y., March 28.—Governor Smith today signed a bill ratifying a treaty with Vermont for the construction of a bridge across Lake Champlain between Fort Frederick, N. Y., and Chimney Point, Vermont.

The Rutland Evening News
April 4, 1927

Congregation Meets to Discuss New Synagog

At a joint meeting of the Council of Jewish Women and of the Jewish men which will be held tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock in the new synagogue on Grove Street, plans will be perfected for the completion of repairs in the former Baxter Library before it can be considered completely suitable for the synagogue of the Congregation Adath Israel.

When the building has been equipped according to the plans that are now being discussed by the congregation, a dedication program will be prepared and given by the members.

The Rutland Evening News
March 26, 1927

BUY BAXTER ESTATE FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Committee Closes Deal In- volving \$70,000; Will Deed Land to City.

The site of the new Rutland High School will be the 12-acre Baxter estate, bounded by Grove, Seabury and Church streets and Library Avenue, it was announced today, when the purchase of the plot for \$70,000 by the committee was divulged.

The land is to be deeded to the city, and was decided upon after consideration of numerous possible sites, by the committee. The committee is made up of Lathrop H. Baldwin, Frank H. Duffy, John C. Flynn, Henry G. Smith, and Newman K. Chaffee. The voters appropriated \$400,000 for the high school at the March election.

Mrs. Coolidge Buys Methodist Property

The Rutland Evening News
April 16, 1927

FIRST SERVICES IN SYNAGOGUE SUNDAY

Jews of City Will Observe
Feast of Passover In
New Edifice.

The first service in the new synagogue of the Congregation Adath Israel will be held tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock in observance of the Jewish Feast of the Passover. The feast which falls on the 15th day of Nisan, corresponding this year with Easter Sunday, April 17, begins tonight at sundown and lasts for a week.

A feature in the celebration of the feast is the special Seder service around the festive family board on the first evening of the feast. At this family service a special ritual known as the "Haggadah" is read. This ritual contains the story of the redemption from servitude, certain reflections inspired by the memories of old and certain psalms. This is followed by the festal meal after which grace is recited. The service concludes with the reading of additional psalms, the recitation of prayers and the singing of hymns. To this home service stranger and homeless are cordially invited.

The manner of observance of the feast is determined largely by Biblical ordinances concerning it. The ceremonies are such as are calculated to bring home the historical event which the feast commemorates, namely, the new freedom vouchsafed to Israel after the long period of oppression endured under Egyptian tyranny.

The eating of unleavened bread is enjoined in the Biblical regulations touching the observance of the Passover feast. Unleavened bread is characterized as the "bread of affliction," and is also referred to in the Bible as the bread that was unleavened because of the enforced hasty departure from Egypt. In post-Biblical times the earnest desire to keep the injunctions most scrupulously led the teachers of Israel to enact laws such as the use of special dishes that had been guarded from contact with leaven and reserved only for the Passover season.

SITE OF CHURCH RAZED BY FIRE BRINGS \$16,000

Largest Single Business Location Left In
Rutland.

PLANS INDEFINITE

Commercial Development
Will Mean Much to
City.

The Methodist church property on West Street, near the proposed site of the new Federal Building, was sold yesterday by Leland H. Fish, real estate dealer, to Mrs. Omeron H. Coolidge of Maple Street. The property, which has a street frontage of 115 feet and a depth of 264 feet, is understood to have brought around \$16,000.

The purchase is considered an extremely good one in real estate circles. What Mrs. Coolidge's plans are with regard to the property could not be ascertained.

In addition to the land, there are two small houses contained in the sale which are now occupied by families.

Last Large Business Site.

The old Methodist church was destroyed by fire several years ago and the trustees of the institution then decided to erect a larger structure. Charles W. Spencer was appointed chairman of a committee to raise funds and otherwise provide for the erection of the church which has since been opened at Chestnut Avenue and Williams Street after many thousands dollars had been raised by popular subscription.

The property which Mrs. Coolidge has bought is one of the largest single pieces of ground left in the business district and with the construction of a new Federal Building near there considered a certainty within a few years, it is likely that eventually some large business structure will be built on the site.

The Rutland News
October 22, 1926

MAIN STREET PROPERTY AS GAS STATION

Main Street Grocery Store
and Novak Creamery to
Be Converted.

TEN YEAR LEASE

Rental Will Be About \$1200
a Year With New Front
to Be Erected.

Burditt Brothers, of this city, wholesale distributors in this section of Vermont for Texaco gasoline, have leased from Harry J. Novak the plot of ground in front of the Vail property and the Novak Creamery on South Main Street, just south of Terrill Street, and ground has already been broken for the erection of a gas filling station.

The lease carries with it a total rental for 10 years said to be around \$12,000 and specifies that the Burditt concern will build an entirely new front on the Vail property which includes the Main Street Cash Grocery, Salter's Millinery, several apartments and the Novak creamery, making it one block. On the side between the Vail property and the Creamery the gas filling station will be located. The contract for the changes has been awarded to Charles Young.

The real estate transaction is one of the most important of the week, and is of special interest because the corner block, known as the Vail property, is one of the old land marks in that section of the city. It was purchased about five years ago by Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Novak for a price said to be about \$8000.

The Rutland News
October 11, 1926

HOTEL ELMORE SOLD; PRICE ABOUT \$36,000

Mrs. Martha E. Cooke Disposes of West Street Property
to Owners of Mac's Filling
Station.

Mrs. Kate Andrews and Charles Andrews, owners of Mac's Filling Station, have purchased of Mrs. Martha E. Cooke, the Hotel Elmore property on West Street. Although the purchase price was not made public, it is said to be around \$36,000.

The property has been used as a hotel for many years. The new owners for the present will make no change in the property, and the hotel will be continued under the management of Martin L. Stebbins, who has conducted it for the past year. The new owners purchased Mac's Filling Station about three years ago of Arthur McKee and have conducted it since that time.

The Rutland News
September 18, 1926

ODD FELLOWS TO HAVE FINE HOME

New Building Will Be Finished About First of November.

Good progress is being made on the construction of the new Odd Fellows Hall on South Main Street and it is believed that it will be opened about November 1.

The building is practically fire-proof, hollow tile, brick and cement forming the exterior walls and the interior being of metal lath and plaster construction with sheet steel ceilings. The electric wiring is of the latest type, the conductors being enclosed in steel conduits.

Nearly all of the plumbing is roughed in and fixtures will be installed as soon as the masons and carpenters have completed their tasks. The large steam heating plant has been put in place although the radiation system has not yet been installed.

Basement Above Ground.

Owing to the contour of the land on which the building is erected, the basement is practically all above ground and is well lighted. This is entirely of cement, even the floors being made of this material. Considerable work was necessary in building the foundation to eliminate trouble from water seeping into the excavation, but the difficulty was overcome by construction of a system of drains under the whole building.

The basement is devoted to the heating plant, a large kitchen for preparing food and a room which may be used as a banquet hall. The street floor is given over to rest and reading rooms with a parlor for women. In the rear of the building is the dance hall which is said to be of ample size to accommodate 400 couples.

The exterior of the new home is of cream stucco with brick trim and brick front. A portico of simple design extends across a portion of the street wall which is largely taken up by huge plate glass windows which light the reading rooms and parlor.

The Rutland News
October 1, 1926

CITY BRIEFS

A son was born this morning at the Rutland Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard J. Parker of Curtis Avenue.

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October 13, 1926

Mrs. Leonard Parker and infant son, Lloyd, have returned to their home on Curtis Avenue from the Rutland Hospital.

FLOOD BRIEFS

*300 At Armory
Candles Here At Premium
Cider Mill Floats Up
Schools Closed
Good Water: Fish Hatchery
Bread Scarce
Ctr. Rutland Bridges Go
500 Men At Chittenden*

Tomorrow's Edition

The News intends to publish all flood and other news that can be obtained tomorrow.

The appearance of the paper is secondary; giving Rutland the news of prime importance.

If unusual conditions continue, The Rutland Herald and Evening News plan pooling of resources for the emergency and issuance of a joint publication daily.

MORE RAIN!

Weather forecast for northern New England: Rain in Maine Rain or Snow in New Hampshire and Vermont tonight, colder tonight. Saturday mostly cloudy and colder. Probably local snow or rain in north. Southeast and south gales shifting to west diminishing tonight.

One man, John Sabula of Center Rutland, was report-drowned last night. His body has not yet been recovered bringing the flood fatality list to two following the death from fright last night of Mrs. Lucy Salter of Strongs Avenue.

Commissioner of Public Works Royce estimated that up to this morning damage to highways and bridges in Rutland alone exceeded \$100,000.

Approximately 300 homes were seriously damaged and scores more were less extensively harmed.

BRIDGES UP; DAMAGE GROWS

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Hundred Thousand Loss Here On Public Works Alone Says Commr. Royce

Center Rutland Man Reported Swept To Death as Ripley Bridge Gives Out With Him

Public utility companies suffered most severely, especially the Vermont Hydro Electric Co., where losses will run well into the hundred thousands.

Towns surrounding Rutland fell victims to the torrent relatively as much as Rutland.

Mayor Perkins announced that he would ask a bond issue to meet the present emergency.

With a radius of 10 miles of Rutland at least a dozen important bridges have been destroyed.

The log pile and cut lumber of the Manning Manufacturing Co., disappeared down the rushing river of Cleveland Avenue.

Rutland was entirely without railroad or bus service today, toll lines didn't exist and it was late in the morning before telegraphic communication with the outside world had been established.

Encouraging inferences were drawn from receding waters but officials made it clear that the danger was not entirely passed.

Scores of persons were hunting for lost relatives and friends many without success up to early afternoon.

The Salvation Army sent out an appeal for all kinds of bedding to meet the demands of a score of families who had lost everything.

An unprecedented flood of water poured over Center Rutland last night and today carrying everything in its path before it.

One man is reported drowned, houses have been swept away, the D. and H. railroad bridge is a mass of ruins and crumpled ties, the road bridge, the only means of passage between Rutland and West Rutland and Western New York State will give away at any minute, all the result of the rampage of Otter Creek.

John Sabula, of Center Rutland, an employee of the Vermont Marble Company, was reported seen near the river late last night driving two company horses. He did not turn up after that. If dead his body has not yet been recovered.

The massive D. and H. Railroad bridge was carried away by the force of the flood, one large piece remains standing, and this will go down soon before the buffeting of the turbulent waters.

Sabula, the man who is missing, later reports say, was crossing the Ripley bridge near the Vermont Marble Company mill when suddenly the water in a great drive washed part of the structure away. That was the last time Sabula was seen.

Searching parties have been organized to look for the man. On account of poor telephone connections nothing more can be learned.

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The home of Mrs. Bridget Riley which is on the road between Center and West Rutland was completely demolished. Not a piece of wood or a brick is left standing and the unchecked flood is running over the spot which yesterday was a two story house.

The large bridge which crosses Otter Creek at a point near where the Riley home was formerly situated is expected to go out at any minute cutting of transportation between the two towns.

Bystanders report that the structure continually weakening with the great weight of the water against it as well as the weight of a section of the D. & H. bridge which is locked to the pillars.

At Proctor the Proctor Memorial Bridge is not expected to stand up under the continual pressure of the mighty streams of Otter Creek. Water from eight to ten feet deep is running through the Railroad cut there and scores of houses have either been swept away or ruined.

One report of a drowning has been heard at Proctor but telephone connections are so poor that nothing can be verified.

The Dorr Bridge, that has spanned Otter Creek on River Street for more than 75 years was swept away early this morning. It was one of the oldest bridges across Otter Creek.

Not a timber is left in place, and it is thought to be caught somewhere down stream, although no reports have yet come in as to its whereabouts, if it is still holding together.

This bridge was one of the old covered and shingled wooden structures, relics of the past, that are slowly disappearing in Vermont. Its length was about 120 feet and it was supported by a pier in the middle of the stream.

There has recently been some talk of replacing this bridge, as it was thought by some to be unsafe. The new structure, according to the Department of Public Works, will probably be a single span.

PATCH DAM GOES OUT

All Records Go When Heaviest Rain Hits Here

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HALF BILLION GALLONS FALL IN CITY ALONE

Normal Downpour for
Month Falls on Rutland
In 24 Hours.

BIG DAMAGE

Telephones Out, Cellars
Flooded, Creek and
Sewers Overflow.

The Patch Dam succumbed to the floods about 3 o'clock this afternoon according to the Police. Waters rushing down the Creek flooded out scores of residents along Water Street, Cleveland Avenue and in other sections of the city.

The losses may run into hundreds of thousands, anything like exact estimates being unavailable as The News goes to press.

A trip along Baxter Street at 3.30 disclosed hundreds of persons rushing from homes on Water Street, Cleveland Avenue and other sections close at hand, including men and women, half-grown children and babies.

The waters came so suddenly that none had time to attempt the salvage of household articles. The houses were still standing at that hour with the rushing waters tearing at the foundations.

The police reported the Patch Dam as entirely out. A hurried trip to the dam at 3.30 made it appear that the masonry was holding and that the great pressure had created a fissure in the earth on the side.

Over 500,000,000 gallons of water had fallen within the limits of Rutland city from 10 o'clock last night to 1:45 o'clock this afternoon, establishing a record for all time so far as public Works Department pour of water sufficient to meet the normal requirements of the city for over half a year.

Reports from every section of Vermont indicated that the force of the heavy rain was creating damage that will take thousands of dollars to replace.

Nearly 100 telephones were reported out of order at the local branch of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company. Nearly 50 calls have come into the office of the Public Works Department telling of the damage done by water, backing from sewers, unable to hold the unrivaled flow. One store on Forest Street has been forced to close business, as a regular lake extending for yards around keeps customers away from the door. Telegraph companies have had trouble getting their messages through.

Creek Up Seven Feet.

East Creek has risen nearly seven feet since last night and the flash boards on the Patch Dam have been opened which is very unusual as these boards are opened only in cases of extreme necessity on account of high water.

The cellars of scores of residents in the city were flooded, in some places the water reaching a depth of over four feet. The sewers were unable to hold the tremendous flow of water which flooded into them.

Reports of washouts of many of the gravel roads leading into the city were heard. In many places transportation was impossible owing to the condition of the roadways.

Heavy Rains in Barre.

Barre, Vt., Nov. 3.—(AP.) Rivers and brooks in this vicinity have been rising at a rapid rate all day because of the heavy rainfall that started during last night and is continuing this afternoon. Many cellars have been flooded from street water, drains being partially clogged with leaves. Some of the hill streets have been badly gullied. In case of continued rain the damage may be heavy.

Montpelier Damage Heavy.

Montpelier, Vt., Nov. 3.—(AP.) Following as beautiful November day as Vermont has experienced in a long time rain commenced to fall here about 10:30 o'clock Wednesday evening and has continued today resulting in water in the streams having risen seven feet and debris is being carried down the rivers. It is expected that it will go into the store cellars here before the storm abates. Heavy damage was done here where a new sewer was being laid, undermining that portion of the sewer already laid.

Residents on South Main Street in the vicinity of Moon Brook are alarmed over the high water condition of the stream. In some places the water has almost reached the houses and if the rain does not abate, considerable damage will be done to household property by water.

Two cable lines in Barre and one in West Berlin were reported out of working order this afternoon by the telephone company. The chief of police at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon notified all merchants to remove goods from their cellars.

Water went into the cellars of some of the buildings at 1:45 o'clock this afternoon and pumps were started to protect the contents of the cellars.

Railroads Clear.

The Rutland Railroad Company reports no washout or difficulty on the road as yet but if the rain keeps up, tie-ups are likely.

This morning at 11 o'clock and in the afternoon at 12:45 thunder and lightning added to the threatening aspect of the storm. One bolt of the lightning affected telephone connections.

A rainstorm of this duration is very unusual for November. Up until 2:30 o'clock four and three-tenths inches of rainfall had dropped, according to Weather Observer George H. Ross, a record rainfall in 17 hours for all times.

This fall is more than an average for a whole month and it has dropped in less than 24 hours. The temperature hovered all day around 45, a drop of about 27 degrees.

The lowest temperature reported in New England was given out by Burlington, Vt., with the mercury reported at 40. Showers have occurred during the past 24 hours at all of the Eastern states except in Eastern Maine. General rains have occurred in Virginia and North Carolina.

The abnormal warm weather due to southerly winds along the Atlantic coast continued in some parts of the country, but a change to a lower temperature is taking place in inland parts of the Eastern states. Cool weather prevails over all interior parts of the country.

Carry People From Homes in Boats.

The residents of Clover Street were being carried from their homes at 3 o'clock this afternoon in row boats. The southern section of the city was flooded and in some parts pedestrians waded knee-deep in the water. The land around Moon's Brook was completely flooded when the stream overflowed its banks.

Wash-out At Wallingford.

Trains coming from the south were late this afternoon, and a wash-out on the tracks below Wallingford, was reported.

EXTRA

The Evening News will print an extra edition at 5 o'clock to give as full details as possible of what may be the worst property disaster Rutland has ever suffered.

As the first edition goes to press it appears that hundreds of homes and perhaps scores of lives are imperilled.

HIGH WATER SHUTS SHOPS

Rutland Industries Demoralized, Railroads, Highways Crippled By Infuriated Elements

For the first time in history Rutland industries yesterday failed to turn a wheel. Lack of power, flooded conditions of the plants and the inability of many of the workmen to get to the various shops made it impossible for any of the companies with the exception of the Howe Scale company to operate their factories.

There is not a plant in the city that has not suffered flood damage. The Vermont Hydro-Electric company is by far the heaviest loser, with flood damage to the Cleveland avenue sub-station, the loss of the Glen dam and damage to transmission lines which has not yet estimated.

The Manning manufacturing company also lost heavily, the water flooding sections of their plant. The greatest loss was caused by logs and finished lumber floating down the river when the stream reached maximum height.

TRESTLES SWEEP AWAY

At the Howe Scale company's plant several thousand feet of dimension timber were carried away by Moon brook. Other piles of lumber were torn down and badly split and twisted.

The railroad companies will suffer heavily, the Delaware & Hudson having lost the long steel trestle over the rapids at Center Rutland. This was swung from the foundations and dropped into the river. The Rutland railroad has miles of track under water and south of Rutland several washouts are reported. At East Dorset an immense landslide covered both the state highway and railroad lines. Bridges are reported out on the Bellows Falls line and the track

is badly washed in many places.

The Vermont Marble company's property at Proctor is under water and it is reported that the village square is 15 feet deep water of Otter Creek.

At Center Rutland the trestle over the river bearing the track of the Clarendon & Pittsford railroad, a concern owned by the marble company, was carried away. Both the trestles at this point gave way when they were struck by the debris of Dorr bridge.

GARAGES SUBMERGED.

Garages in the lower sections of the city suffered heavily from the flood with many cars partly or wholly submerged. The Rutland Motor Sales company was worst hit when the Cleveland avenue building was inundated.

No estimate was given last night of the damage to the city waterworks. The intake at Mendon brook was washed out and the report was to the effect that the stream had shifted nearly 700 feet. City officials declared that it would require the expenditure of a large sum of money to put this in same condition that it was in previous to the flood.

The gas plant failed late last night and with no pumps to force the fuel through the mains, hotels and restaurants as well as private homes were forced to depend upon other means of cooking and heating.

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SIDELIGHTS

Fire Alarm Will Warn.

In event of unexpected dangers from Flood waters the Fire Alarm will be sounded several times as a warning.

Furniture, and all other household necessities, domestic pets, babies in arm, and other belongings dear to the people of Baxter Street, Cleveland Avenue and, other flooded districts in that part of the city, were removed this afternoon on the reported break at the East Pittsford Dam. They were brought back again on the report of the Police Department that there was no danger.

Houses Caving In Slow.

Houses on Clover, South Main, South Spruce, Forest and Granger Streets are settling further into the ground as the cement foundations are being lost by the water. A portion of the Charles McGuinness home on River Street has been washed away and the family was obliged to take refuge in the Holland House.

Cows Are Drowned.

The Sisters of St. Joseph also suffered by the loss of cows which were drowned in their meadows. At 6 o'clock Thursday evening the convent was filled with refugees and the nuns gave up their sleeping quarters to the flood sufferers.

land are cut off. Among those who were unable to return to their home are Wilbur Eno, Miss Anne Connell, Mrs. Lena Battles, Mrs. J. O'Rourke and Mrs. John Battles.

Crosses Trestle Before It Collapses.

Miss Elizabeth McClennon, a student at Skidmore College, who was on her way to Bellows Falls to spend the week-end with her parents, came as far as West Rutland by train. She decided to take the bus from there to Rutland but the vehicle became inundated before it reached the bridge in Center Rutland. Miss McClennon took her bags and made her way over the railroad trestle, a few minutes before it collapsed. She is marooned in Rutland and is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. DeForge of Terrill Street.

"All O. K.," was the report given by the engineers who returned at about 3:15 o'clock this afternoon after repairing damages to the East Pittsford dam where they had been rushed this morning in answer to a danger call.

Halls Filled With Refugees.

The Bruzza Hall, Armory, Knights of Columbus and Elks Lodge rooms are filled with men, women and children, seeking shelter. Free lunches are being served the refugees at these places.

Furniture Goes.

Chairs and other furniture were seen floating in the yards in the vicinity of Moon Brook yesterday morning.

Cement Bridges Give Way.

Cement bridges that were giving away had to be blasted to allow the heavy streams to continue in their course. Workmen were busy yesterday morning on the cement bridge on South Main Street, just below the fair grounds keeping on-lookers at a safe distance when the blasts went off.

Mendon Road Gone.

A great portion of the road to Mendon just beyond the Rutland Fish and Game Hatchery, was washed away, and here as well as every other scene of destruction, every available space was filled with automobiles during the day. Residents of the dry section of the city are making homes for several refugees as their part in the flood program.

Bread Supply Adequate

Owing to the absence of power yesterday the city suffered from the shortage of bread, but today the output was again normal. Condensed milk was at a premium when milk and cream could not be bought, and at 11 o'clock, merchants would sell only one-half pound of coffee to each family. Early in the afternoon, only two candles to each customer were sold at some stores.

Center Rutland Scene.

One of the greatest scenes of destruction was in Center Rutland, where the large iron trestle was swept away by the might of the falls. Several hundred on-lookers, who visited the place during the day, gazed on a scene that would almost put Niagara to shame. Although it was not raining at the time, the force of the water was so great the by-standers were sprayed with water. Shacks of the Vermont Marble Company were being carried on in the mighty rush, as were logs, parts of bridges and even parts of the railroad tracks. The Dorr Bridge, the Ripley Bridge and the bridge leading from Center to West Rutland, all of which have seen service for many years, were all carried away. Houses beyond the Center Rutland bridge was half covered with water, and garages and sheds floated away. One home was completely demolished.

Carry Water to Armory, Hospital.

Relief workers have been very busy for the past several hours, transporting pure water to the refugees at the Memorial Armory, and to the sick at the Rutland Hospital. Mrs. G. L. R. French has donated her car for the purpose, and a committee composed of Wilbur Eno, Olin DeForge and William Farwell have been working steadily, bringing water to the two institutions.

A corps of workers spent Thursday night caring for the children at the armory. These include Mrs. Bartley J. Costello and Miss Anne and Catherine Sullivan.

FOUR BRIDGES AND CULVERTS DESTROYED

Damage to bridges within the city limits was set at \$100,000 by city officials yesterday. Cost of repairing washed out roads was estimated at \$50,000.

Four bridges, the Dorr bridge, Ripley bridge, Adams street bridge and a culvert over Tenney brook on North Main street were swept away. Sections of road at the Baxter street and Crescent street bridges were undermined and washed out.

Driftwood had backed up the water at the West street bridge yesterday afternoon and was eating at the embankments. All hill streets of gravel construction will need repairs.

The chlorination plant on the water system was flooded and men were at work yesterday attempting to divert part of the stream to keep the flow in its normal channels.

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BOIL WATER

The following notice has been issued by the city board of health:

"We wish to again urge the people of Rutland to use no water unless it is first boiled. This includes water used at soda fountains, in restaurants or in any other public or private place."

Milk Train Goes Butter

A train load of milk, held in the Rutland railroad yards, was converted into butter at the Brigham company milk station yesterday to save it from total loss. The milk which measured thousands of gallons, was bound for the New York market.

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Chittenden Dam Saved Rutland, Officials Say

Chittenden Dam, far from being an ominous liability to Rutland, on the point of deluging the city even through the business section, as was sometimes thought, was, instead, its salvation to a great extent during the flood.

A tremendous volume of water, 750 acres in area by seven feet high, many millions of gallons, was caught by this structure.

This was because the level of the water was seven feet below the dam at the time the rain started, it was stated at Vermont Hydro-Elec-

tric Company headquarters today. So the Chittenden Dam caught all of the onrushing torrents and didn't even begin to overflow until Friday night, when the flood already abated. Since then, the flow over the dam has never been higher than three inches. At all times it was perfectly safe.

East Pittsford Dam, controlling a smaller area than that of Chittenden, though much larger than that of the ter before overflowing.

Glen Dam, caught three feet of wa-

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FIND BODY OF FLOOD VICTIM

John Cebula Lost Life Doing
Rescue Work Near Ripley
Bridge.

COULDN'T SWIM.

Evidently Clung to Wire
Fence Until He Became Ex-
hausted.

The body of John Cebula of Center Rutland, missing rescue worker, was found early this morning on the Rutland side of where the Ripley bridge was formerly located, after being missing since Thursday.

Cebula, who was lost Thursday night while out on a rescue expedition, was not able to swim. Cebula's companions saved themselves by swimming.

The body of Cebula was found in the exact place where the man was last seen and the assumption is that he clung to a wire fence until overcome by exhaustion.

No rescue work could be attempted during the night, as it was too dark and the rush of the water was terrific. Cebula's only survivor is his wife.

Royce Outlines City Conditions

**Mendon Water Supply Brook
Had Changed Course, It
Is Disclosed.**

NEW CHANNEL DUG

**Reservoir Had Nearly Run Dry
When Beardsley Made
Discovery**

All roads and bridges throughout the City of Rutland are now passable except for the small spans of Adams and Crescent Streets and, of course, the Door and Ripley Bridges, which will be replaced by better structures than were washed away when the City has decided on a number of designs submitted by Commissioner of Public Works Richard H. Royce.

North Main, South Main and Park Streets, where bridges were washed away and large sections of the road flooded, have been rendered passable by the repairing of the roads and the erection of temporary structures. The rest of the small bridges around the city, which were put out of commission by the water, have been mended, and all of the immediate work that remains to be done is the repairing of a few small culverts.

One approach to the Crescent Street Bridge has been washed out, and there is some talk of increasing the span of this bridge to cover the gap, rather than to fill in the hole. This would give the stream more room in case of another period of high water.

The Gleason Reservoir, although still functioning, is completely filled with rocks. This will be cleaned out today by the Department of Public Works.

Loss Estimates Decline.

Commissioner Royce estimates the cost of repairing the public works, excluding the two big bridges, but including the purchase of some equipment, to be \$35,056. The cost of the two bridges is still in doubt, as it is not known which of the plans submitted to the City by the Department will be accepted.

Reservoir Was Nearly Dry.

It was learned today that the city reservoir was running dry on Saturday, but was saved by the prompt work of Edgar H. Beardsley of the Water Department and his men.

Mendon Stream, prompted by some vagary of the flood, had changed its course to a position 500 feet from the old one at the place where it flowed by the reservoir. In fact, it had moved to the other side of the road. This left the channel supplying the reservoir from the stream high and dry, and the reservoir had emptied to a large extent Saturday morning.

New Channels Cut.

Mr. Beardsley and his gang, however, cut through two new channels from places near the point where the new course of the stream diverged from the old. Then the chlorinating plant, which was located at the old intake to the reservoir was moved to the point where the water entered the main. Whereas formerly the chlorinator purified all the water coming into the reservoir, which it could hardly do under flood conditions, it now operates directly on that entering the main.

The great advantage of this is that, whereas, under the former system, the reservoir would have to be partly emptied, and refilled several times in order to eliminate the water that had got by the chlorinator in its old position, all water is now purified as it leaves the reservoir, and may now be used for drinking purposes.

Replace Thousand Cubic Yards.

Approximately 1,000 cubic yards of material have been replaced in road wash-outs in the City of Rutland by the Department of Public Works since the floods have receded. Four temporary bridges have been erected and about four other small bridges have been restored to a usable condition.

Stratton Road, which suffered severely, is now passable although very rough. Killington Avenue still remains impassable at the steep grade at its upper end. The cement bridge on Adams Street has been turned into a crumbling ruin by the harmless-looking little stream that now flows through it.

Many Wash-Outs.

On the Creek Road, there is a wash-out about 125 feet long by 30 feet across and many other smaller ones. These have been filled in sufficiently, however, to admit of traffic.

It will be some time before the bridge across East Creek on Cresecent Street can be rendered passable. Although the structure is still standing, the west approach has been carried away for a distance of 40 or 50 feet, and the river now flows where the road was.

It was hard work on the part of the Fire Department, rather than good luck, that the West Street bridge over East Creek still stands. With the approaches blocked by the torrents and heavy timbers and debris battering against the bridge, the firemen reached the structure by means of a ladder and then pushed aside the heavy matter that was exerting such a dangerous pressure on the bridge.

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FLOOD VICTIMS GETTING HELP

**Actual Work of Providing
for Stricken Ones Is On
Here in Earnest.**

PROBE CASES

**Committee Makes Report
and Necessities Ar
Forthcoming.**

The work of complete and systematic re-habilitation of flood-stricken families in this city has now been begun by the American Red Cross, and the 300 families or so who suffered losses from the flood will be furnished with all necessities.

Yesterday, a survey was made by a committee of Rutland women, who have volunteered their services. These include Mrs. Fred A. Field, Jr., Miss Frances Stearns, Mrs. Jack A. Crowley, Mrs. Charles Cassin, Mrs. E. C. Boynton, Mrs. Walter S. Fenton, Mrs. W. H. Williams, Mrs. F. C. Roberts, Mrs. E. Per Lee Smith, Mrs. Frederick Chaffee, Mrs. Edward Jennie, Mrs. Leslie Pierce, Mrs. Louise Page, Mrs. J. R. Temple, Mrs. Morgan Ashley and Mrs. Marie Johnson.

The names of the persons needing aid are turned over to Miss Grace Heffron of New York City, a trained social worker of the Red Cross, who makes a careful investigation of their need and circumstances and then makes reports with recommendations to a citizens' committee, which determines to what extent they shall be assisted.

These judges are Fred A. Field, Jr., W. C. Burbank, Isaac Miller, Wallace Kirby, and Miss Mary A. Devlin. A conference was held this morning and two cases of relief were taken up.

Stores are given orders to furnish families with goods up to a certain amount, which is paid for by the organization, and is exercised to see that the flood-swamped families get only what they really need and purchase furniture that is not expensive, but good.

Fifty tons of coal have so far been put in the cellars of the needy.

The Elks are paying for all medical service needed.

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LADDER TRUCK SAVED 7 LIVES

Moon Brook Residents Could
Not otherwise Have Gotten
to Safety.

FIRST CALLED.

Help Scores of Marooned Persons
to Dry Land and Absolute
Safety.

At least seven or eight persons would have lost their lives by drowning in the flooded region near Moon Brook had it not been for the new ladder truck of the Fire Department, Fire Chief Alfred H. Koltonski said today.

When the waters were rising on Strongs Avenue, the only avenue of escape from the seething flood was the aerial ladder of the Fire Department, stretched across the brook to take people out of flooded apartments.

The Fire Department was the first outfit called out to combat the turbulent waters. On Thursday, when the flood began to rise, a hurried summons came in from the South Main Street and Strongs Avenue districts to save persons marooned by the flood; from that time on, the Department was busy, night and day, not even stopping to eat, to help.

Thursday evening, on rumors that Chittenden dam had burst, the Fire Department was deluged with calls asking the prospects, what the signals on the fire whistle meant, and the condition of the city from the flood waters. A fireman stated that the calls came into the station at one time about one in every 30 seconds. The information sought was given to the frightened people in the best and clearest manner possible.

Chief Capsizes.

Fire Chief Koltonski's life was endangered when the boat in which he had brought a load of women and children to high ground from the flooded districts, dove into a culvert, tipping the chief into the stream.

Friday afternoon when people in the districts around Baxter Street, Cleveland Avenue and Water Street were thrown into a panic by the rumor that the East Pittsford dam had gone out, firemen sought to assure them that the report was unfounded and promised that four blasts of the fire alarm would be blown if any disaster impended.

A number of amusing calls came into the department, asking for aid. One lady wanted the mud cleaned out of her basement by the department as the doc-

tor had told her typhoid germs would attack the family if it was not removed.

Wines Flows Freely.

Meadow Street and Traverse Place were the points where the cellars were most flooded. A number of places in this district had to be pumped out twice. One of the volunteer firemen states that a veritable deluge of wine greeted them in some of the basements of the tenements on Meadow Street and Traverse Place. Barrels and barrels of the grape juice was spoiled by the deluge. As the cellar was being pumped out, the firemen would hear the "Gurgle, gurgle" of the wine emptying into the suction pump.

During the flood period the firemen have not had their usual days off. Every man has been on duty up until today.

In addition to the flood calls the department has received a number of calls to extinguish fires. On Sunday a total of three summons in one hour and five minutes was received.

For the last two evenings the men have been receiving a practical course in pitching hay at the Mt. St. Joseph barns on Meadow Street. The hay, wet by the water, had threatened to ignite on Tuesday and Wednesday evening. The Fire Department, assisted by a number of men living in that district, hauled about 40 tons of hay from the barn.

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RED CROSS HAS 800 REFUGEES

This Is Number Being Cared
For Through Headquarters At
Rutland Armory.

CARR IN CHARGE.

Society's Officials Gives Out Ex-
act Information As Result of
Tour.

The American Red Cross unit with headquarters at the Armory is now taking care of 800 people in Rutland County, according to Charles W. Carr, who is in charge of the work. Of this number, 500 are of the City of Rutland.

Mr. Carr also stated that here were 12 houses totally destroyed in the county, although there was no case of such in the city. Twenty houses, of which six are of Rutland, require extensive repairs. He said that approximately 300 families were driven out of their homes by the deluge.

According to local physicians, who have conferred with the Red Cross chief, health conditions are better than usual in Rutland right now.

The supplying of food and clothing and the conditioning of houses for the return of the stricken families is the work the organization is engaged in. From its trained investigators and from other sources, reports of needs come in and provision is made by the organization according to the requirements.

Because of a number of complications that have arisen, Mr. Carr wishes to tell the local merchants that no orders for supplies or goods for the American Red Cross are to be filled unless signed by Arthur R. McGuirk.

Today, the organization dispatched a man on horseback to carry a load of supplies to Dr. Fletcher of Gaysville, all the doctor's equipment having been destroyed along with most of the rest of the little place.

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CITY'S AIRPORT IS ADVERTISED

Chamber of Commerce Notifies Aviation Officials All Over Country.

OPENS TOMORROW

Frank M. Wilson Gives City Privilege of Using Kelley Field for Airport.

Notifications of the opening of Rutland's new emergency airport at Kelley Field were sent this morning by Miss Lulu M. Tye, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, to the following:

John F. O'Ryan, Colonial Air Transportation Company, New York City; Schenectady Chamber of Commerce, Schenectady, N. Y.; Burlington Chamber of Commerce, Burlington; Gov. John E. Weeks, Montpelier, Vt.; Secretary of the Concord Airport, Concord, N. H.; Air Office, Army Base, Boston; A. T. Stewart, Transportation Department, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, Washington, D. C.; Aeronautics Department, Boston Chamber of Commerce; Gen. Preston Brown, Fort Ethan Allen; Dr. W. H. Beardsley, Springfield, chairman of the aviation committee of the Vermont Chamber of Commerce; Leon F. Wilson, President of the St. Albans Chamber of Commerce.

The field was purchased yesterday by Frank M. Wilson of this city from Mrs. Honora Kelley. Mr. Wilson offered this lot and the meadow adjoining the Kelley lot on the south for use as an emergency airport. The area of the combined lots is 70 acres, permitting a runway of 2,000 feet north and south and 1800 feet east and west.

The usual 100-foot circle will be marked on the airport with marble dust. The field will be opened tomorrow.

George Peck, III., Charles H. West and Charles A. Matthews, headed by Fred A. Field, jr., are in charge of arrangements for putting the field in condition for the landing of airplanes in connection with flood relief work.

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CITY'S AIRPORT OPENED TODAY

As Yet, No Plane Has Made Landing in Connection With Relief Work.

FORCE AT WORK

Marking of Field With Marble Dust Will Be Completed This Afternoon.

Rutland's new airport was officially opened today, according to announcement made by Fred A. Field, jr., chairman of the aviation committee of the Rutland Chamber of Commerce.

The laborers who were employed to level and smooth the Kelley and Wilson fields in order that they may be made suitable for landing purposes, were expected to complete their work this afternoon. George W. Peck, III., C. H. West, C. A. Matthews and Mr. Field are in charge of the work. As yet, no airplane has landed in the city in connection with flood relief work.

The regulation 100-foot circle of marble dust, which marks the flying field so that it may be easily seen from the air, was being laid this afternoon. The two landing lanes, east and west and north and south, were completed yesterday. Wind cones, designating the direction of the air currents, have also been placed on the field.

A telegram of congratulation on the opening of the new emergency airport to the Rutland Chamber of Commerce was received late yesterday afternoon, by President Fred A. Field, Jr., from John F. O'Ryan, head of the Colonial Air Transportation Company of New York City. Mr. O'Ryan stated that he had notified the New York newspapers and airports of the completion of Rutland's new landing field.

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FIELD GREET'S PLANE AT PORT SOUTH OF CITY

Two Army Airmen Declare
It Best Landing Field
In Vermont.

MAKE SUGGESTIONS

Place Provided by Frank M.
Wilson Will Be Officially
Approved.

An airplane appeared on the north-western horizon, this morning, soared over Rutland, circled once above the Wilson field, and alighted at 10:20 o'clock. Lieut. Gordon Seville of the 5th Observation Squadron and Lieut. John F. Williams of the 7th Field Artillery stepped out and received the greetings of the airport committee.

This marked the official opening of the Chamber of Commerce Airport, which a group of citizens has been working to establish since last Spring, and its certification by a Government pilot. Lieut. Seville will have the field officially recorded.

George W. Peck, III, Charles H. West and Charles A. Matthews, of the Chamber of Commerce Airport Committee, Frank M. Wilson, owner of the field, and almost 100 others, arrived on the scene to welcome the flyers.

Best Field In State.

The aviators declared the lot to be the best landing field in the state and one of the best in the country. Allowing a diagonal run of 2,000 feet, and having a length and breadth of 1,800 and 1,600 feet, respectively, of unusually level ground, it can take any type plane at any time.

The visitors had come from Fort Ethan Allen, and again took the air for their return trip at 11:09. Lieut. Seville is stationed at Mitchell Field, near New York, and had brought the plane up to the Fort, where he had picked up Lieut. Williams.

Examine Field.

Arrangements for this trip were made by those interested in a Rutland airport, and the two flyers were sent here by Maj. Gen. Preston Brown, commander of the 1st Corps Area, in order to certify the field, examine it and make helpful suggestions to the committee.

The start was made from Fort Ethan Allen at 9:15 o'clock this morning, and the trip was made, against southerly and southwesterly winds, in an hour and five minutes.

Saw Sign Post Easily.

The flyers stated that they could plainly see the sign, "Rutland," on the Horticultural Hall in 9-foot letters, but that they were not spaced far enough apart to be legible at a distance. After circling once, they landed at the north-eastern end of what was formerly the Kelley Field, but is now the property of Mr. Wilson. They taxied along and came to a stop near the boundary line dividing the old Wilson Field and the recent addition on which the landing was made.

On taking off, the plane was swung around and driven down to the north end of the lot, turned around rolled rapidly across about three-fourths of the combined fields and soared aloft. After circling twice, it disappeared into the northwest, bearing the flyers back to the Fort, where they were ordered to put in an appearance at 12 o'clock—in time for dinner.

Make Suggestions.

The suggestion made by the Army men included the removing of a few more lengths of fence dividing the two fields, so as better to allow a northwest-southeast diagonal run along the fields, the illuminating of the white wind cone at night, and the illuminating of the sign at the Fair Grounds. A number of red flags will be put up along the western side of the field to mark gullies and trees. It is also planned to erect a sign by the highway which will designate the field.

Good Winter Airport.

This emergency field may render great service, especially in the Winter, when the snow will make all other places in the vicinity unfit for landing. It is rare that it is covered by more than a foot or 18 inches of snow, which is said to be less than is received by the Springfield and Claremont airports.

Rutland's is considerably bigger than either of these and is smoother than the field at Fort Ethan Allen.

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November 26, 1927

SEVERAL ROADS IN BAD SHAPE NEAR RUTLAND

Motorists Advised to Keep
Off Them Except for Ex-
treme Necessity.

SOME ARE GOOD

Routes to Bellows Falls and
Woodstock Reported in
Worst Shape.

Road conditions out of Rutland remain about the same today as they were last week it was found today, after receiving information from the Rutland Chamber of Commerce and motorists who have been travelling around the State.

The road to Woodstock which passes through Mendon should not be tried unless absolutely necessary, experienced motorists say. Travelling through meadows, back yards, and over rutty roads, over which the lower part of an automobile scrapes, is the route from Rutland to Woodstock.

The route from Rutland to Bellows Falls is still by way of Wallingford, over the gulf road to East Wallingford and then through the main road, or by way of Manchester.

Conditions on this line of travel, especially from Wallingford to East Wallingford, are described as "terrible". Only in cases of necessity should the route be tried, it is stated.

The best but perhaps longest way to reach Bellows Falls and other points to the south, is by way of Manchester, over Peru Mountain to Chester, and from that point on to Bellows Falls.

The road north to Burlington is in fine condition, no bad spots having been reported. This also applies in regard to the road west to Whitehall.

The road to Manchester and Bennington and Troy is in good condition and shows no signs of wear after heavy travel.

Rutland Trains Operate After Longest Tie-Up

TRAINS GOING OVER SYSTEM TO ALL POINTS

Normal Schedule Resump-
tion Is Promised Within
Few Days.

TRAVELING SAFE

Scores of Persons Assemble
At Station to Observe
First Trains

After the most complete tie-up the Rutland Railroad has ever experienced, the first local passenger service was resumed this morning when a train from Burlington to Boston, and one to Troy, each consisting of three cars, passed through the city, the Troy train at 10:35 and the Boston train at 11:05.

Each of the train was 45 minutes late, but they had to run very slowly. This was expected.

Scores of persons crowded the platform at the depot this morning to get a glimpse of the first trains to leave the city in daylight since the flood raised havoc with railroad equipment.

The ticket office was opened for the first time and the "No Train Service Today", sign which has adorned the front of the bulletin board, has been taken down.

Last evening sleepers were operated between Montreal and New York and one north and the other south, the first from Montreal arriving in the city at 3:07 o'clock this morning, one hour late, and the other from New York about 4:20 o'clock.

Line Open All Way.

The line is open all the way through, both North and South, and though Railroad officials would not state just when normal schedules would be resumed, it is probable that this will take place in a few days.

The regular evening trains, 59 and 159 from Boston and Troy, will meet in Rutland tonight, the Boston train arriving at 8:45 and the Troy train at 8:25. The people from Boston, Bellows Falls and other points south will be transferred to train 159 from Troy and proceed to Montreal.

Milk Train Operates.

The milk train will attempt to operate on its regular schedule, the cars from Ogdensburg, N. Y. being expected in the city about 5 o'clock.

As yet no service by train through to West Rutland has been resumed, but work is rapidly progressing on the Clarendon & Pittsford bridge, across Otter Creek, at Center Rutland, and service may be started within a day or two.

Only Sleepers Go Through.

On the Bennington division connections for Chatham, Troy, and New York are made in the daytime by means of buses, but at night the sleepers are enabled to go straight through, as the work trains are then off the road.

The trains are running at slow speed and officials state that there is no reason for apprehension as the road in every section has been thoroughly examined and found safe for traffic.

Big Marble Find In West Rutland

DISCOVERS VEIN OF BEST GRADE WHITE MARBLE

Patrick F. McCormick Fol-
lows "Hunch" He Held
About Meadow.

OF GREAT VALUE

Deposit Is 120 Feet Thick and
Believed to Cover More
Than 13 Acres.

A tremendously rich deposit of marble, believed now to be worth hundreds of thousands at the least, and probably several millions, has been unearthed in West Rutland by Patrick F. McCormick, president of the Clarendon Marble Co.

The deposit, which is announced after elaborate tests by experts, was found by Mr. McCormick, acting on a "hunch" that abundant marble would be found if sufficiently deep borings were made in what is known as the Charles Campbell meadows.

Much digging near the surface failed to reveal any substantial trace of marble, but, undiscouraged and having faith in his hunch, Mr. McCormick ordered the excavation to proceed. Some 70 feet below the surface his persistence was rewarded when experts discovered a big vein of the highest grade white West Rutland marble of the kind that perhaps has made the existing quarries there the most famous and profitable in the world. Many of the country's most important buildings are made of marble quarried near at hand and all information available is that the newly discovered deposit is of the same high quality.

Bore Down 186 Feet.

Mr. McCormick said last night that his experts had bored to a depth of 186 feet. The first sign of marble was not encountered until borings of nearly 70 feet in depth had been made, a depth which would have and probably in the past has discouraged other prospectors.

Vein 120 Feet Thick.

After a most thorough survey of the deposit possible without actual quarrying operations it is estimated that the vein is 120 feet thick and that it covers an area of at least 13 acres, all indications being that the countless thousands of tons may all be expected to be of as high grade marble as exists in the world.

Very Significant.

It is pointed out that the discovery is of tremendous significance to West Rutland, to the whole locality and to the marble industry in general. It means the employment ultimately of many more men both in the quarries expected to be opened and in the processes of finishing the raw product for the market. For the locality and the state it means the development of great additional natural resources.

Due to McCormick's Persistence.

It is pointed out that the rich find is due solely to the persistence, determination and knowledge of his business of Mr. McCormick.

Mr. McCormick came to West Rutland about 25 years ago from Dorset and a few years thereafter started development of the Clarendon Marble Company. After years of persistent effort he has built up a business estimated to employ approximately 200 men.

Obstacles Nothing to Him.

His friends say that obstacles are nothing to the Clarendon Marble chief and that the more hinderances that appear before him the harder he works and the greater his determination to overcome them.

Applying his profound knowledge of the marble business in general Mr. McCormick had strong belief that marble could be found under the Campbell meadows and he acted accordingly. Despite early discouragements he persisted and lately his efforts were rewarded.

West Rutland residents say that the depth of the vein raises certain obstacles, although by no means tremendously difficult ones. It is presumed among marble men that the loose earth will have to be removed to a depth of approximately 70 feet and cement sides constructed to prevent earth slides on the quarry workers. When this is accomplished quarrying can commence.

Kresge Leases Merchants Row Store Frontage

THREE PLACES ARE INVOLVED IN PURCHASES

Fishman and Howley Stores
and Shoe Shine Stand Are
Involved.

HOWLEY EXCEPTION

Clothier Has Lease Until
1984, Others Only Short
Time to Run.

The Rutland Evening News
September 2, 1927

Carl B. Hinsman Purchases Baxter Bank's Building

New Owner States He Is
Unready Yet to Say What
Disposition he Will Make.

The present quarters of the Baxter National Bank have been bought by Carl B. Hinsman, president of that institution, according to a statement to The News made by Mr. Hinsman today. He is not yet ready to state for what purpose the property will be used after the bank has been moved to the site now occupied by Abrahams Drug Store at Center Street and Merchants Row.

A few weeks ago, it was announced that the Baxter Bank was to abandon its present quarters and establish itself in the Mead Building.

S. S. Kresge Company, giant five and ten cent store concern with headquarters in Detroit, Mich., has acquired the lease of property on Merchants Row, now occupied by the stores of M. H. Fishman, and Howley and Co., the shoe-shine parlor of N. C. Louras, and property occupied by D. A. Barker.

No building will apparently be erected for some years, however, as the leases of the present occupants will not expire until 1934, 1984, 1929 and 1930, respectively. In the mean time, the new lessee will receive the rents of the present occupants.

The lease was made by Will F. Nelson of Concord, N. H., to the department store concern, and the latter will pay the former \$416.67 a month, until Oct. 1, 1939, and after that time, \$425. The lessee also has the first chance to buy, should the property be put up for sale.

Details of Transaction.

In detail, the property leased is as follows: (1) The Valiquette lot, and (2) a strip of land with a two and one-half foot frontage just north of the Valiquette lot. These two pieces were conveyed by John G. Nelson of Concord, N. H., to Will F. Nelson, the present lessor, by deed of September 9. (3) The Verder lot, at the rear of the Valiquette lot; the Central House lot, north of the Verder lot; (5) the premises north of the Valiquette lot.

All of the new Kresge lease began on September 1, 1927, with the exception of the part designated as (5), the lease of which by Kresge will begin October 1, 1939. The lease of all the property holds until 1984. Land designated as (5) is included in the property leased by John G. Nelson to P. F. Howley, which lease will expire in 1984.

FIRST AUTO IN CITY DESCRIBED

Steamer With Wire Wheels
Was Owned by Jacob Fuller,
North Clarendon.

VARIOUS MAKES

In 1901, Cars Were Purchased
by J. H. Frenier, G. T.
Chaffee and E. E. Keyes.

Fragments of Rutland's early automobile history, of hardy pioneer motorists in three-horse-power "horless carriages", stopping humbly to let a wagon pass, getting run over by their own machines and braving the abuse of the more old-fashioned, who considered them depraved beings, such as coke-fiends and lunatics, were gained today in an interview with Charles A. Matthews, first automobile dealer of this city.

The first automobile in Rutland County was owned by Jacob Fuller of North Clarendon. It was a steamer with wire wheels, a tiller-steering arrangement and no windshield, lights or top. It was built in the form of a carriage, having no hood, but with the motor slung under the rear axle. A gong, operated by foot, gave warning.

The boiler was under the driver's seat. In spite of many layers of insulation, this was sometimes most unpleasant for the operator. Mr. Fuller and his automobile used to be seen frequently on the road between Rutland and North Clarendon, principally because there was no other place it could be driven.

Although Jacob Fuller never failed to arouse great excitement whenever he appeared in Rutland with his steam-spouting monster, it was not until two years later, in 1901, that one was owned by J. H. Frenier of this city. George T. Chaffee and E. E. Keyes followed closely with the acquisition of automobiles.

Mr. Matthews relates that in 1901 he attended the first automobile show in the country at Madison Square Garden, New York City. Many and strange were the contrivances he saw there. For one thing, there was no definite number of wheels that automobiles were supposed to possess. Many of them were tricycles. A close similarity can be traced between the evolution of the automobile and the origin of species in the animal world, with the comparatively unvariable type of the present resulting from the survival of the fittest. Although the automobile of today is the gradual adaption of the horse-drawn carriage, many of the early cars were copied after other forms of vehicles. All the extinct prehistoric monsters of the motor world were at this exhibit at the Garden.

There was the automobile patterned after the Atlantic City wheel chair. It consisted of a wicker seat for two people, mounted on three wheels, two in back and one in front, which was controlled by a tiller. Over the rear axle, behind the wicker passenger seat, was the driver's seat. The engine was slung underneath. Then there were other forms of motorized bicycles, tricycles and four-wheeled machines. Fully one-half of the machines at this show were steam-driven.

Although steam cars were on the market for several years previously, gasoline automobiles were not made or

a large scale until 1904, when a number of concerns started turning out "one-lungers," those having one cylinder.

It was in this year that a law requiring licensing and registration was passed by the Vermont legislature. This went into effect the next year. Mr. Matthews possesses a copy of the official list of the 498 automobiles then in the State, the owners, manufacturers and horsepower.

Few of the familiar makes of today were then on the market. The horsepower of the cars commonly ranged from three to ten, sometimes as high as 20. Percival W. Clement, however, which could produce 40 horsepower. He had a machine of Apperson Brothers now are listed some of the Rutland owners, the makes of the car and the horsepower:

C. A. Matthews, Pope, 6 H. P.; W. W. Nichols, 10 H. P.; F. R. Patch, Northern, 6 H. P.; George T. Chaffee, White Sewing Machine Company, 10 to 18 H. P.; Newman K. Chaffee, Stanley, 10 H. P.; Charles A. Willard, Locomobile, 4 H. P.; John N. Woodfin, Northern, 16 H. P.; Erwin White, Waltham Manufacturing Company, 3½ H. P.; Sumner W. Childs, Auto Car Company, 10 H. P.

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MT. ST. JOSEPH'S DEDICATION IS THURSDAY PLAN

Rt. Rev. J. J. Rice, Bishop
of Vt. Diocese, Will Lead
Extensive Exercises.

SET FOR 10 O'CLOCK

School Classes Will Be Suspended During Program
of Procession.

The new \$250,000 Mt. Saint Joseph's Academy building will be dedicated tomorrow morning by the Right Rev. J. J. Rice, Bishop of Burlington, assisted by resident priests and clergymen from surrounding towns.

At 10 o'clock the children of Mt. Saint Joseph's Schools, the sisters, clergymen and Bishop will assemble at St. Peter's Church where a preliminary service will be conducted during which hymns will be sung and prayers recited.

After this ceremony the assemblage will proceed to the new convent during which the hymn "Veni Creator," or, Hymn of the Holy Ghost, will be sung. The outside walls of the structure will then be blessed by the Bishop.

The procession will then enter the new building and the inner walls will be blessed by the Bishop. During this ceremony a Crucifix will be hung on one of the walls and will remain as a permanent fixture.

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will follow in the new chapel.

It is not definitely known whether the Bishop will consecrate the altar tomorrow as the service requires three hours of ceremonies and the Bishop may not be able to remain.

Over 300 students are now enrolled in the St. Joseph Schools. Twenty-one boys are in the Freshman class while six are enrolled in the Commercial Department. Classes will be suspended during the dedication.

GIVE HISTORY OF HOWE SCALE

Origin of Present Industry
Was In Vergennes in
1856.

THE "ARMY SCALES"

Plant Developed in Bran-
don and Years Later
Brought to Rutland.

In 1856, two young men secured a patent on an improved type of scale. In the same year, they built a weighing machine at the home of one of them and weighed a horse on it. Today, the Howe Scale Company employs 685 men, turns out 30 tons of scales a day and is producing a scale capable of weighing 600,000 pounds.

The two young men were Francis M. Strong and Thomas Ross of Vergennes. Both were mechanically inclined, Ross being a cabinet-maker in Vergennes and Strong, an iron molder by trade, in charge of the foundry at the same city, where he personally made the castings for the first scales. In the fall of the year 1856, their first scale for commercial purposes was put up in Vernon, N. Y.

This first model was soon followed by two others, the patents being developed under the direction of Ross. At about the same time they put up their scale in Vernon, N. Y., they exhibited specimens of hay scales and smaller styles at the fair of the American Institute in New York, where they attracted favorable attention.

However, after starting business in Vergennes, the two men dissolved partnership, and, early in 1857, John Howe, Jr., of Brandon purchased the patent of the inventors, advanced the firm \$1,100 or \$1,200 and moved the business to Brandon. Mr. Howe had been manager of the Brandon Iron and Ore Company for many years. Strong and Ross moved to Brandon with the works and later came to Rutland, where he founded the Lincoln Iron Works.

The "Army Scale."

Just prior to the Civil War, the famous "Army Scale" was designed and patented. Large quantities were made for use during the war period, and this model is still a popular one for export.

A stock company was subsequently organized, raising more capital to take care of the expanding business, and the name of the company was changed from John Howe, Jr., which had appeared on the early models of the scales, to Howe Scale Company.

For a number of years the business was a great success, but later it was unfortunate in the high expense of its selling agencies, and it was inconveniently situated relative to railroad shipments. The Howe Scale Company was taken over by N. T. Sprague, president of the First National Bank of Brandon, and later president of the Brooklyn, N. Y., bank. Later John B. Page of Rutland, one time governor of Vermont, became president of the concern and, in 1876, brought the business to Rutland and erected the nucleus of the present plant, now occupying 17 acres and housed in many commodious and completely equipped buildings. The plant was under the Page management until he failed financially. Then Dr. John A. Mead, another Vermont governor, took the reins the business was reorganized in 1886 and flourished. It continued under Gov. Mead's direction until his death in 1920, when Carl B. Hinsman, now president of the Baxter National Bank, was made president of the concern.

The distinction of the Strong and Ross patents was in the principle of the application to weighing machines of a ball bearing shock absorbing system to preserve the delicacy of the scales.

The Howe plant now has 35 different kinds of craftsmen, some of them for new divisions of work lately introduced. Heavier work is being done than ever before. Huge pieces of iron are being cast, sometimes a single casting weighing seven tons. It is maintaining an output of 30 tons a day and business is booming, according to the present officials. The production of the biggest scale that has even been made is being undertaken. This model is capable of weighing 600,000 pounds with a precision of 20 pounds and requires seven cars for its transportation.

Not only do Americans now use Howe Scales throughout the country, but on them the Chinese weigh their tea, the Australian his wool, the South American, his rubber, the African merchant, his ivory in fact, they are seen wherever civilization has made their use desirable.

H. S. ORCHESTRA IS ORGANIZED

Fifty-Two Musicians Re-
port to Frank C. Phillips,
Faculty Director.

The Rutland High School Orchestra with 52 musicians, has started the year's work under the direction of Frank C. Phillips.

Twenty-seven violins, five saxophones, four cornets, three cellos, two guitars, a bass viol, a trombone, two drummers, five clarinets and a trombone player make up the group.

The personnel is as follows:

Violins:—

George Costello, Francis Clarke, Francis Ryan, Dorothy Boyden, Maynard Welch, Roger Howard, Crawford Taylor, John Kimen, Francis Allison, Frank Hudson, Raymond Messer, Walter Chapman, Marston McCarty, Ralph Lovell, Harry Piccini, Irving Lash, Vernon Gage, Patrick Hannon, Richard Frenier, G. Torvenon, William Black, Florence Baldwin, Mary Conway, Harold Baker, Charles Kimen, Harry Coltey and Arthur Dick.

Saxophones:—Edward Pike, William Matthews, Harry Menten, Allen Adams, and Clark Mason. Clarinets:—Edgar Stickney, Kenneth Sherman, Edward Marceau, Richard Gouchoe and Ralph Seeley. Cornets:—William Tappell, Almo Franzoni, Otis McAuley and John Stickney. Cello:—Clarice Mintzer, Amelia LaParle and Sydney Wolk. Drums:—Carroll Raines, and Byron Goodrich. Guitars and Mandolin:—Goldie Gillson, Ruth Woodfall, and Marion Willcox. Bass viol:—Wallace Amidon. Trombone:—Medrick Myatt.

Harriet Mattison, last year's piano player, is back and will take care of this part of the orchestra. A number of candidates have signified their intentions to try out for the position of assistant pianist.

Some Freshmen boys are learning to play the drums.

PENNEY STORE TO OPEN SOON

C. J. Geis, Who Will Manage Center Street Place, Already Established Here

ONE OF 885

This Is First of Chain in Vermont Although Newport Has Opening Shortly

Vermont's first J. C. Penney store, now being established on Center Street, will be opened and doing business before Christmas. G. J. Geis, manager, told The News today. This store will be one of a great chain of 885, linking every state in the Union except one.

Large expenditures are being made to make this store modern in every way, including ample window front for its display purposes. A force of 15 to 18 men have been at work for the last few weeks, and the operations will be rush-until every fixture and the last hairpin of the stock is in its proper place.

Mr. Geis, who comes from Faribault, Minn., has made his home with his family, at 28 Woodstock Avenue. He is a native of the West, has never been in Vermont before, but is pleased with his reception in Rutland and says he has already met a number of fine people.

New Englanders, he says, are not as hard-shelled as he had expected. There is a difference between East and West, but not as great as commonly rated. The man of the prairie cities is usually quicker to become friendly than the man from the hills, but the New Englander is just as good and kindly a fellow when one gets to know him. And it is not so hard to penetrate his shell after all, as is testified by a number of open-hearted Rutlanders he met.

More "Newcomers" There.

What difference there is, Mr. Geis accounts for by the fact that almost everyone in the West is comparatively a newcomer. Hence there is little difference between the strangers and the older residents.

Store in Newport

Although the Penney store in Newport has just been completed, the arrangements for the establishment of the one here were made first. This year is the 25th anniversary of the birth of J. C. Penney's first store, in Kemmerer, Wyo. In this short period, the business expanded from one to 885, dotted all over the country, although thick-set in the Middle West.

J. C. Penney's Career.

The story of J. C. Penney is not remarkable in its originality. Rather, it is interesting as one more bit of evi-

dence to the proposition that a man by keeping everlastingly on the job can get ahead.

Mr. Penney started work as a clerk in a Western dry goods store without any capital. When the business grew so as to warrant the establishment of a second store in Kemmerer, Wyo., Mr. Penney was made manager, as the result of hard work and application. Later, with a capital of \$500, which he had saved out of his low salary, he bought out the former owner and set up for himself. With this "toehold" he caused his \$500 capital to multiply to many millions.

Mr. Geis states that the Penney stores are not to be classed as "cheap" department stores. Rather, the system handles staple merchandise at as low a price as is consistent with quality. Because of the huge scale on which they are able to do business, satisfactory prices on their goods can be made.

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M. S. J. CHAPEL IS CONSECRATED

Bishop J. J. Rice Delegates Power to Rev. Brown, Pastor of St. Peter's.

CLERGYMEN ASSIST

Benediction Tonight at 7.30 Will Be First Service Held in Chancel.

Having received special dispensation from Bishop J. J. Rice of Burlington, the altar in the new Mt. St. Joseph convent chapel was consecrated this morning at 8 o'clock by Rev. J. M. Brown, pastor of St. Peter's church. The services were held in the presence of the Sisters of Mt. St. Joseph. Rev. Brown was assisted by Rev. William H. Cassidy of Proctor, Rev. Michael O'Donnell of Poultney, Rev. James Thompson of Wallingford, Rev. Joseph McCarthy, assistant pastor of Holy Innocents church and Rev. M. E. Costello, assistant pastor of St. Peter's church.

Benediction will be held tonight at 7.30 o'clock in the new chapel.

The Bishop was unable to come to Rutland to conduct the service, so he delegated the power to Rev. Brown so that the Sisters can have the use of the chapel.

The Rutland Evening News
November 1, 1927

NEWS TO HAVE NEW BUILDING ON JANUARY 1

Demolition Work on Old Structure Is Started This Morning.

TWO STORIES

Braislin and Spencer Will Erect Modern Store, Office Structure.

Work on a modern two story structure, which will be known as the Evening News building, to be erected on the site of the present Rutland Evening News quarters, started today when the job of razing the old building was started by men working for E. A. Gosselin, contractor.

The new block will be built of brick and ornamented with marble trimmings. The plans for the structure were made by P. Thayer of Wallingford.

The ground floor will be used by two stores and offices will take up the second story of the building.

The News mechanical Department will remain unchanged and the paper will continue to be printed in the present building.

The Editorial and Business offices of the company will move to 12 Wales Street while the building is being erected and telephone connections will be as usual.

The building is being erected by Edward G. Braislin and Reuben H. Spencer of Camden, N. J.

The Rutland Evening News
November 18, 1927

MARBLE INDUSTRY IN RUTLAND COUNTY STARTED FIRST IN 1795

Jeremiah Sheldon Started Quarrying Operations in
Town of Pittsford and With One or Two Assistants
Commenced Cutting Stone by Hand.

In 1795, Jeremiah Sheldon, with possibly an assistant or two, began taking marble from a quarry in the Town of Pittsford and cutting it by hand. This was the beginning of the marble business in Rutland County.

Today, the great Vermont Marble Company, together with the comparatively small Clarendon Marble Company, employ around 2,500 men and export daily 750 tons or more of marble.

Although it might be said that the first commercial quarry was opened in 1795, growth of the marble business was not so rapid until somewhat after the middle of the next century, at about the time that Redfield Proctor from Proctorsville opened a quarry at Sutherland Falls, now known as Proctor, and started the Vermont Marble Company, destined to absorb nearly all other concerns and control most of the worked marble in the world.

The second quarry to be opened in the county was also in Pittsford, in 1799, by Eli Hudson, and the third was also opened in Pittsford in 1806 by Charles Lamb.

The first marble sawing mill in the state was that of Eben W. Judd, in Middlebury, which started business in 1804, and the first in the county, by Epaphras Jones, in 1806, on Stevens Brook. These pioneers adopted the method used by the Romans in the time of Pliny, of sawing marble with a smooth saw fed with sand and water. The mills were driven by water power. That of Jones was a failure, however, and it was not until 1821 that the first successful marble

sawing mill in the county was established. This was done by Gen. Jonas Clark, in south Tinmouth. It was driven by water power, operating a 27-foot overshot wheel. A quarry at Whipple Hollow, West Rutland, later to become the property of the True Blue Marble Company, then owned by Timothy Brockway, was opened in 1807. This was the fourth to be worked in the county. In 1845, it passed into the ownership of William Barnes and others, and, in 1850, it suspended operation.

In 1884, the True Blue Company was organized, and opened a new quarry near the old one. The new Ripley Automatic Sand Feed machine was brought into use. The officers of the company were J. M. Cramton, president; E. D. Keyes, treasurer; George E. Royce, secretary. These, together with Walter Landon, Benjamin Pollard, John N. Saxter and Donald Pollard of Proctorsville, were the principal stockholders. Timothy E. Conklin, now living at 129 Maple Street, this city, was superintendent for 24 years.

In 1898, it was sold to Congressman Fowler of New Jersey, and it was bought by the Vermont Marble Company about 1909.

The opening of the quarry in Whipple Hollow in 1807 marked the beginning of what was to become the first big marble enterprise. Shortly after the organization of the True Blue Company, it had a mill of eight gangs at the quarry, with a rubbing-bed and lathes for turning and polishing.

MANY ENTERED MARBLE BUSINESS WITH WHIPPLE HOLLOW QUARRY

Sent Out Many Miles on Horse Drawn Vehicles and
Thence by Water and Land to Various Destina-
tions All Over Country.

Many pioneers in the marble game entered the field after the opening of the quarry in Whipple Hollow, the fourth in the county, in 1807.

It was in that year that Enos Clark and Gen. Jonas Clark manufactured marble by hand at Middletown from stock taken from a quarry on the farm of Elihu Andrews of the north part of Tinnmouth.

In 1810, the "Andrews Quarry" was owned by Gen. Clark, and later a small mill was put up at Middletown.

Peleg Seamans and William Beals of Clarendon carried on a similar business at Chippenhook before the building of the above-mentioned mill.

Thirty acres of land with water power was purchased in the south part of Tinnmouth by Gen. Clark in 1821. An adjoining quarry of several acres was also purchased. A mill was erected, the first marble-sawing mill in the county, and had a 27-foot overshot wheel, two gangs and a single or trimming saw. Business was continued for nearly 30 years.

Horses used to haul the marble a distance of 30 miles to Comstock's. Thence, it was taken by the Champlain and Erie Canals to Utica and Weed's Basin,

near Auburn, N. Y., Mr. Clark's business headquarters.

After 1854, the mill and quarry were allowed to fall into disuse, and only slight traces of the former activity remain.

Marble produced by Eaton & Rhodes in the 30's may still be seen in the buildings of the Troy Conference Academy at Poultney. They built their mill about 1830, about three miles south of Castleton. The academy was erected in 1836 and 1837.

Ezra Spencer and Moses Cowen opened a quarry in Pittsford. Blocks from this source were used in the construction of the Conant House in Brandon, when the quarry was being worked by William Hyatt in 1839 and 1840.

The marble for this hotel was sawed at the mill of Justus Hyatt, in Brandon village, on the south side of Brandon River. The mill was erected in about 1831.

The Taylor Mill was built in about 1825 and used until 1845. It was situated in Clarendon, about one-half mile north of the Springs. Some of the earlier blocks sawed in Rutland were sawed in this mill. This, also, has suffered from time and change, and but few traces remain.

The Rutland Evening News
November 19, 1927

VERMONT MARBLE COMPANY FORMED BY REDFIELD PROCTOR IN 1880

Six Years Later Senator's Vast Enterprise Had Branch-
ed Out and Enlarged by Purchase and Absorption
of Several Other Quarries.

The merging of two marble companies in 1880 was the birth of the Vermont Marble Company, which has, since then, absorbed nearly all the other concerns in the State and today controls most of the marble in the world.

Redfield Proctor, who built the early Vermont Marble Company, was a young man of moderate means from Proctorsville, who launched his main effort in Sutherland Falls. Today, Sutherland Falls bears the name of Proctor, and the descendants of Redfield are among the richest people of the State.

The Sutherland Falls Marble Quarries, which were later to be among the earliest to be taken over by the Vermont Marble Company, were opened in 1852 in the northern part of the Town of Rutland. These quarries were the first in which a channeling machine was used. A number of companies worked the property until it was merged in 1880 with the Rutland Marble Company. The latter organization commenced work in 1845 under William F. Barnes, opening

quarries in West Rutland.

By 1886, the Vermont Marble owned the Old Quarry, the Adams Quarry and the Mt. Dark in or near Proctor and, in West Rutland, almost half a mile of the marble belt, including seven quarries. It had water mills at Center Rutland Proctor and a steam mill at West Rutland, and employed nearly 700 men. In about 1909, it acquired the True Blue Company, the earliest established of the big concerns, and now the Vermont Marble Company has absorbed all marble enterprises and worked quarries in the county, except the Clarendon Marble Company of West Rutland, and the Colonial Marble Company of this city, which has not yet begun to produce.

The Clarendon Marble Company was started in West Rutland in 1907 by Patrick F. McCormick. Mr. McCormick is now engaged in opening up an extensive marble deposit in the so-called Campbell Meadows in West Rutland.

The Rutland Evening News
November 29, 1927

ELECT MEMBERS OF GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL

A Girl Scout council was organized at a meeting of young women held at the Community House last evening which was presided over by Miss Ruth Hedlund, New England regional director. The following officers of the organization were elected:

Commissioner, Miss Berenice R. Tuttle; deputy, Mrs. George W. Peck, 3rd; treasurer and chairman of finance, Miss Marion Gary; chairman of standards, Miss Edith K. Dunton; chairman of education, Mrs. William A. Sargent; secretary, Miss Frances Sterns.

Others interested in the council who will serve on various committees are Mrs. R. N. Berry, Mrs. C. J. Cleveland, Mrs. R. C. Boynton, Mrs. Charles A. Simpson, Miss Louise E. Paige, Mrs. C. H. Murdick, Miss Ellen B. Cramton, Dr. G. G. Marshall, I. Miller, Bert L. Stafford and Mrs. Leslie O. Johnson.

The Rutland Evening News
December 22, 1927

J. P. CLIFFORD BURIED FRIDAY

Long Time Resident Once
Police Chief Here and
Long Undertaker.

DIES LAST NIGHT

Funeral Will Be Held At
9 O'clock At St. Peter's
Church Tomorrow.

Funeral services for John P. Clifford, 77, former Rutland Chief of Police, and for more than half a century one of the most prominent undertakers in the State, who died last evening at 8 o'clock at his home on State Street, after a month's illness, will be held tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock at St. Peter's church.

Was Born Here.

Mr. Clifford was born in this city on May 31, 1850, the oldest son of John and Mary Sheridan Clifford. He attended the parochial schools here and for several years served as conductor on the Rutland and Delaware & Hudson railroads.

Later he served as a member of the Rutland police force, a position which he held for 15 years, having acted as Chief of Police for three terms. While on the police force he formed a partnership with his brother, the late Stephen Clifford, in the furniture and undertaking business under the name of Clifford Brothers. After his brother's death he carried on the business alone until 1918, when his son, George M. Clifford, was made a member of the firm.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ellen Farrell Clifford, whom he married in 1880, a daughter, Mrs. J. H. Fitzgerald of Farmington, Conn., two sons, George M., and Louis A. Clifford of this city, four brothers, William H. of New York, Charles, of Palm Beach, Fla., Lawrence A. and M. J. Clifford of Rutland; five sisters, Mrs. Mary Flood of Poultney, Miss Elizabeth Clifford of New York, Miss Bridget Clifford, Mrs. Margaret Lallor and Miss Agnes Clifford of this city, and six grandchildren.

He was a member of the Rutland Council, Knights of Columbus, the Holy Name Society of St. Peter's church, also a member of the Vermont Funeral Directors' Association.

The Rutland Evening News
December 24, 1927

HOLD CLIFFORD FUNERAL TODAY

Prominent Resident Died
Early Wednesday Evening
At Home.

MANY ATTEND

Three Priests, Besides Celebrant, in Sanctuary At
Last Rites.

The funeral of John P. Clifford, prominent and lifelong resident of Rutland, who died at his home on State Street early Wednesday evening, was held this morning at 9 o'clock at St. Peter's Church with Rev. J. M. Brown acting as celebrant in the High Mass of Requiem. Rev. Bernard R. Kelly acted as deacon and Rev. M. E. Costello, sub-deacon.

Besides the celebrants three other priests were in the sanctuary, Rev. M. S. O'Donnell of Poultney, Rev. Louis Shyvensky of West Rutland, and Rev. J. H. McCarthy of the Holy Innocents Parish.

The bearers were: P. C. Houlihan, John E. Gorman, Francis Tracy, W. S. Smith, Henry C. Brislin, Roger Ryan, John C. Cannon, and John W. Norton.

During the services at the Church music was furnished by James F. Farrell, Dennis J. McCue, James P. Lyston, B. J. Costello, Miss Geraldine Lyston, Mrs. George Warren and Mrs. N. J. Nicklaw.

Solos were rendered by John E. Barrett and John C. Clifford.

A number of floral tributes were received among them being pieces from the Employees of the Vermont Hydro-Electric Corporation, and the Rutland Railway Light and Power Company, the Parker and Tossing store, John E. Stearns, the Baker Seed House, and scores of pieces from neighbors and friends.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery with Rev. J. M. Brown reading the committal service.

Among those present from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fitzgerald of Farmington, Conn., Charles J. and Miss Elizabeth Clifford of New York city, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Kennedy and daughter Jean, and Miss Elizabeth M. Wilkinson of Glens Falls, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. John Fink, Charles and Edward Roach, of Bellows Falls, Mary Flood and family, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Sennett and family and Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Kelly of Poultney, Miss John and Miss Catherine Farrell and the Butler family of East Clarendon, Mr. and Mrs. John Candon, Mrs. Anora Fox, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Hennessey, and Mrs. Charles P. McDevitt of Pittsford, and scores of people from West Rutland, Center Rutland and Proctor.

The Rutland Evening News
December 31, 1927

THIS IS LAST ISSUE OF NEWS

THIS IS THE LAST EDITION OF THE RUTLAND EVENING NEWS

The reason for discontinuance, broadly speaking, is that prospects of producing a good paper at a fair profit seem remote.

The management of the paper takes this opportunity to thank merchants and others in Rutland for the fair treatment the paper has received and for the advertising patronage accorded.

The management wishes also to thank scores of loyal subscribers who have supported the paper through thick and thin.

Those who have paid subscriptions in advance will receive refunds as soon as the amounts can be figured.

RUTLAND EVENING NEWS, INC.

The Rutland Evening News
December 20, 1927

FIRE CHIEF TO KEEP POSITION

Koltonski, Pay Raised \$500,
Announces He Will Stay
In City Office.

IS AN EXPERT

Has Made Exhaustive Studies
Along Highly Specialized Lines.

Chief Alfred H. Koltonski formally announced today that he will remain as Chief of the Rutland Fire Department, following the announcement of a raise of \$500 in his pay as head of the Fire Department.

The Chief, who was offered a position as inspector of fire equipment with a well known insurance company, was to have received \$500 more than the Fire Department place was paying him before this time.

Before making any public announcement of his resignation he consulted Mayor Arthur W. Perkins, who told him to wait for a few days to see how events would shape up. In a private meeting Saturday, in which the Mayor and a number of city officials attended it was decided to ask the aldermen for an increase of \$500 in the Chief's pay.

16 Years In Department.

This year marks the Fire Chief's 16th year on the department. During the last 10 years he has made an extensive study of fire alarm and electric signal equipment until today he is recognized as an expert in this line. Knowing this the fire equipment company was anxious to have him in its employ as an inspector and had a man here for a week offering him the job.

Koltonski's duties include the position of Fire Chief, Fire Marshal and city electrician.

1882
Rutland Herald

"The Twin Bridges" on the
East Pittsford Road were
at one time called the -
"East Twins"

The old North Main Street
Cemetery used to be called
"Pleasant Vale"

Dorr Bridge was at one
time called the "Pierpoint
Bridge"

The Rutland Evening News
October 20, 1927

RUTLAND RAILROAD EXECUTIVE DIES

Private Funeral Services
for Geo. T. Jarvis, 68, Will
Be Held on Friday.

Funeral services for George T. Jarvis, 68, vice president of the Rutland Railroad, who died at his home on Washington Street last night at 12 o'clock, will be held at the house tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, and will be private. Friends may call at the residence between 11 and 1 on Friday.

Mr. Jarvis was born in New York August 6, 1859 and educated as a civil engineer at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. At the age of 17 he became an apprentice in the mechanical department of the Pennsylvania Railroad. He took a special course at the institute of technology after serving four years at this position. In 1882 he became associated with the Mexican Central Railroad as chief clerk to the trainmaster and was superintendent of the road when he severed his connection with it in 1888.

He served as superintendent of transportation for the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic Road and later as assistant superintendent of transportation for the Lake Erie and Western. He gave up this position to become receiver and general manager of the Louisville, Evansville & St. Louis.

In January 1902, Mr. Jarvis became associated with the Rutland Railroad as general manager. He became vice president November 15, 1924. He was a director of the Rutland Road for many years and was a member of the board of directors of the Clement National Bank. His wife, Ruth Elliot Jarvis, is his only near surviving relative.

The Rutland Evening News
October 21, 1927

NOTABLES HERE FOR RITES OF GEO. T. JARVIS

Rutland and Other Railroad
Officials Pay Last Tri-
bute.

SERVICES AT 3.30

Body Will Be Taken by Spe-
cial Train Tonight to
Erie, Pa.

Railroad notables and others prominent in business affairs in this section of the country, came to Rutland this afternoon to attend the funeral of George T. Jarvis, vice president and former general manager of the Rutland Railroad, who died at his home on Washington Street Monday night.

R. D. Starbuck, vice president of the New York Central Railroad, and W. J. Fripp, assistant vice president arrived here at 3:10 this afternoon by special train with four other officials of the New York Central.

A large number of Rutland Railroad officials met the men at the train and escorted the group to the Jarvis home in automobiles.

Rev. Morgan Ashley, pastor of Trinity Episcopal Church, conducted funeral services at 3:30 o'clock at the house which were simple and brief.

Eight men, representing the various departments of the Rutland Railroad acted as bearers. They were: J. A. Proctor, freight department; J. M. Spafford, the car accountant's; R. C. Arnoll, purchasing agent's department; G. J. McMaster, claim department; F. R. Stevens, assistant chief engineer; G. B. Gowan, chief dispatcher; J. F. Stuart, conductors and T. B. McGowan, engineers. At 6 o'clock the body will be brought to the Rutland Railroad station where it will be taken by special train to Erie, Pa., where interment will take place.

Today between the hours of 11 and 1 delegations of railroad employes viewed the body at the Jarvis residence.

Flags on the railroad property were at half mast and the offices of the railroad were closed out of respect to Mr. Jarvis.

Rutland Daily Herald
February 4, 1930

Coolidge's Giant History In Stone Displays 8 Events

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 3 (AP).—Former President Coolidge's tabloid history for the Mt. Rushmore, S. D., memorial is to be as limited in historical references as it will be sparing in words.

Eight events, considered the most epochal in the evolution of the colonies are listed for inscription. These were selected by the design committee of memorial commission.

The names of Washington and Lincoln may not appear in the engraved history; the names of Jefferson and Roosevelt likely will, while Mr. Coolidge's name is certain to be etched in the granite wall of the Black Hill's peak.

The memorial will consist of colossal figures of Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and Roosevelt, and the Coolidge history, hewn upon the 1000-foot side of the mountain.

The eight events which Mr. Coolidge will touch upon, include:

July 4, Declaration of Independence; 1787, framing of the Constitution; 1803, Louisiana purchase; 1846, admission of Texas as a state; 1848, Oregon boundary settlement; 1849, admission of California; 1865, Civil war ends; 1907, completion of the Panama canal.

Mr. Coolidge's wordage is limited to the number that can be inscribed in a space 90 feet by 130 feet and in such dimensions that they may be read three miles away. Those conditions would limit the history to 500 words.

Rutland Daily Herald
January 17, 1930

Coolidge To Write History Of U.S. To Be Engraved On Mountain

KEYSTONE, S. D., Jan. 16 (AP).—Calvin Coolidge is to write a history of the United States with an assured popularity for 5000 centuries.

It is to be as brief and terse as the former president's conversation.

And, although Mr. Coolidge is one of the highest paid writers per word, he will not receive a cent for the narrative.

The former president, according to the Mt. Rushmore National Memorial association, has accepted an invitation to write historical data to be engraved beside the colossal figures of Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and Roosevelt upon the granite face of the Black Hills mountain. Mt. Rushmore is near Keystone.

The history will be Mr. Coolidge's contribution to the memorial which he dedicated during his summer vacation in the Black Hills in 1927.

The Coolidge words, 500, or fewer if the author chooses to further condense the life of the country from the declaration of independence to

this time, will be five or more inches deep, and high enough to be read miles away.

Geologists estimate the rate of erosion on the granite escarpment of Mt. Rushmore is an inch in 100,000 years, unless radical earth changes take place, or future progress decrees the removal of Mt. Rushmore, the memorial should endure more than 500,000 years.

Gutzon Borglum, sculptor of the project, hopes to have the Washington and Jefferson figures ready for a formal unveiling next July 4. Each of the four figures will be 420 feet tall. The tablet of Mr. Coolidge's history will be 80 feet high and 120 feet wide.

The frowning wall of Mt. Rushmore upon which the memorial is to be scratched is 1000 feet high.

The sides of the letters fashioning Mr. Coolidge's words, facing westward, will be gilded so that the setting sun falling upon them will give brilliance to the story of the United States.

VERMONT COLORED SLATE UNIQUE IN ENTIRE WORLD

Region Is One of Only Five or Six in United States
To Produce Product of Great Commercial Im-
port to Building Industry the World Over.

The Vermont slate producing region is one of only five or six in the entire country. With the exception of the product of the Vermont quarries nearly all the slate produced in the United States is black in color.

The slate region that includes Poultney, Pawlet, West Pawlet, Raceville, Castleton, Middle Granville, Hydeville and Fair Haven abounds in a great variety of blues, grays, greens, blacks, purples and reds. The only red slate deposits of commercial importance in the world are located over the Vermont boundary line in New York state.

Discovered by Accident.

It was said to be by accident that the existence of slate deposits was discovered in 1852 in the Vermont slate region, which extends on both sides of the Vermont-New York line.

A few years later one finds in a copy of "Manufacturer and Builder" under date of 1869, an article in which is a record of quarrying operations which were started in this region. By 1858 the business was well established and the article declares that the slate manufacturing plants and "marbleizing" were well under way and that they were turning out "fine specimens of art in the way of mantels, pedestals and coffins."

Because of the durability of slate and the ease with which it may be split into layers as little as one-sixteenth of an inch in thickness, one of its principle uses is as a roof covering. During the eighth century such use was made of slate in the construction of a Saxon chapel in Wiltshire, England and after 1100 years of exposure to the elements the original roof is said to be in good condition today.

Complained of Railroads.

It was not until the middle of the 19th century that the use of slate seems to have become general, little being written of the growth of the industry previously. One of the great contributing causes of the expansion at this time was the growth of the railroads which provided a means of transportation for the product of the mines or quarries, thus widening the market tremendously. The Manufacturer and Builder, however, complained bitterly about the "extortionary rates" charged by the carriers for this service, also the car shortage which was blamed, probably with reason, for the loss of a \$12,000 order by one of the producers. (In the present era the utter dependence upon the railroads of the country is often overlooked.

That there are large slate deposits in Wales, accounts for so many of the workers in the Vermont slate industry being of Welsh descent. In comparing workmen of 1869, the Manufacturer and Builder says, "The men employed in the slate region are chiefly Irish or Welsh * * *. In making slate by contract, at so much per square, the Irishman works up the stock closely and consequently realizes a little less money in the same time; the Welshman, with his eye on the main chance, wastes a great deal of stock in order to make a large number of squares in as short a time as possible."

Square Unit of Measure.

The square is the unit of measure for roofing slate. It is the amount needed to cover 100 square feet of surface, with due allowance for the overlapping of the slate.

Slate quarries generally give the impression of being narrow and very deep. This is because the layers dip at angles of from 15 degrees to 60 degrees, the average being about 45 degrees. In some localities the beds are practically vertical. For this reason it is only necessary to "strip" or clear the top soil from a small area before sinking a shaft. Thus the quarry becomes a mine. In the Vermont area more stripping is required than is necessary in the Pennsylvania region where the strata are more nearly vertical.

History Of Slate Deposit.

During the formative period of the earth's history, certain areas were subjected to intense heat and tremendous pressure which resulted in the crumpling and folding of the crust to form these more or less vertical deposits. The degree of pressure which was applied during this period apparently determined whether the result would be slate or merely shale rock, if the pressure was insufficient to form slate. The mineral composition determined whether the slate was to be black, blue-black, gray, blue-gray, purple, mottled purple and green, green, or red.

In the mines or quarries hand, air, or steam-driven drills and blasting are resorted to in loosening great blocks of stone which are then hoisted out by means of cableways and transported to the great saws, shears and other finishing machines which may be in mills at some distance but are more generally in nearby shanties. Roofing slates are made by splitting off thin slabs by means of a wooden mallet and flexible chisel. These slabs are next trimmed to size in a shearing machine and punched for nailing in place. They are then ready to be stacked, on edge, ready for shipment.

Slate Granules Are Used.

Another form of roofing slate is also produced in this region in the form of slate granules. These are coarsely ground particles of slate which, when embedded in asphalt make a very attractive and fire resisting roof.

The slate granule business was started about 20 years ago. At that time a small plant was constructed near Whitehall for crushing red slate for its pigment value only. This operation was later transferred to the Vermont district where it developed rapidly. The finished product met with favor of jobbers, contractors, and the public to such an extent that crushing operations were started on red, green, blue-black and buff colored rocks. Today there are 32 granule plants in the United States. A substantial market has also been developed using waste material from the granule process. This ground slate or slate flour is used for filler in automobile tires, paints, linoleums, plastic cements, and other products.

In the manufacture of slate granules the quarrying operation is quite different from that previously described. By exploding a series of charges of blasting powder several hundred tons of rock are broken down and fall to the floor of the quarry. Great shovels scoop up the slate, dirt and all, and it is carried to conveyors of various sorts to a series of primary crushers which reduce it to about the size of coarse trap rock, or so it passes through a screen of one- or two-inch mesh. The mass is then conveyed to the finishing mills where it is ground still further and passed over more screens and through air separators which remove dust and foreign matter.

From the storage bins the finished product, in bulk, like so much grain, is loaded over automatic scales into cars for shipment to all parts of this country and abroad.

The slate from the quarries in the vicinity of Fair Haven is somewhat softer than that to the westward and, for this reason, it is much more easily worked in the mills. It is at Fair Haven that the "marbleizing" of slate is chiefly carried on at the present time, very beautiful specimens of work being turned out.

In addition to serving as a roof covering slate is coming into quite general use as a flooring material. Its uses in electrical switchboards, blackboards, pool-tables, and laundry tubs, are familiar to all.

Rutland Daily Herald
March 12, 1930

LONG TRAIL LODGE REMODELED AT COST OF \$12,000, WILL HAVE DINING ROOM WITH SEATING CAPACITY OF 200 PERSONS



WINTER VIEW OF LODGE

The new annex of the Green Mountain club's Long Trail lodge at Sherburne pass, erected at a cost of about \$12,000 under the supervision of Architect Paul W. Thayer of Wallingford, is fast nearing completion and it will be ready for occupancy long before the date for the opening of the mountain recreation center on May 30.

The old building will remain as a lounging room, 24 by 40 feet in size, has woodland furnishings and is equipped with a huge fireplace where big logs, obtained in the surrounding forest, are kept ablaze almost continuously during the tourist season. The office adjoins the dining room. The dining room added two years ago will be converted into a large writing room. The kitchen has been incorporated into a new dining room, with yellow birch ceiling and studding in posts of selected trees. This room is 45 feet square and has a seating capacity of about 200.

A feature of the new annex is a rustic entrance to the new dining hall which is built from the ground up. Underneath is an open porch, 16 by 40 feet, of unique construction, extra heavy timbers being used.

The new serving room, to be used for the preparation of salads and desserts, opens into the main dining room and is fitted with many modern conveniences, including hot plates, grills, waffle irons, etc. This room has also been constructed along rustic lines and is carried out on an angle from the main dining room conforming to the natural lay of the land. Close beside the serving room, a dish-washing room is located, containing several sinks, steam tables and other equipment and adjoining this will be the culinary department thoroughly equipped and fireproof. Beyond this is the cold storage plant for meats and vegetables after which comes the stock room for dry foods.

Employees' Dormitory.

The old woodshed, 24 by 50 feet, has been made into a dormitory containing five rooms for women, help and four rooms for male em-

ployes, both sections being equipped with bath rooms and shower. The small cottages, formerly used by the employees will be moved up the hill and used for sleeping quarters. The building formerly used for the power plant has been considerably enlarged and is now utilized by the caretaker of the property.

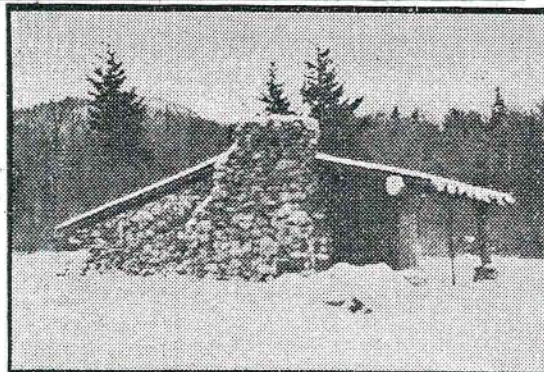
The building of the new annex affords sleeping quarters for 45 guests, these rooms being located both in the main building and in cottages. The latter accommodate parties including four, six and eight persons.

Donations for increased sleeping quarters is the present great need of the lodge as there were scores turned away last season owing to lack of facilities.

1929 Banner Season.

Last summer 7000 meals were served at the lodge, to representations from 37 states and from 11 foreign countries. In addition, there were more than 25,000 persons who visited the lodge during the summer months.

The erection of the new annex



GOV. CLEMENT CAMP

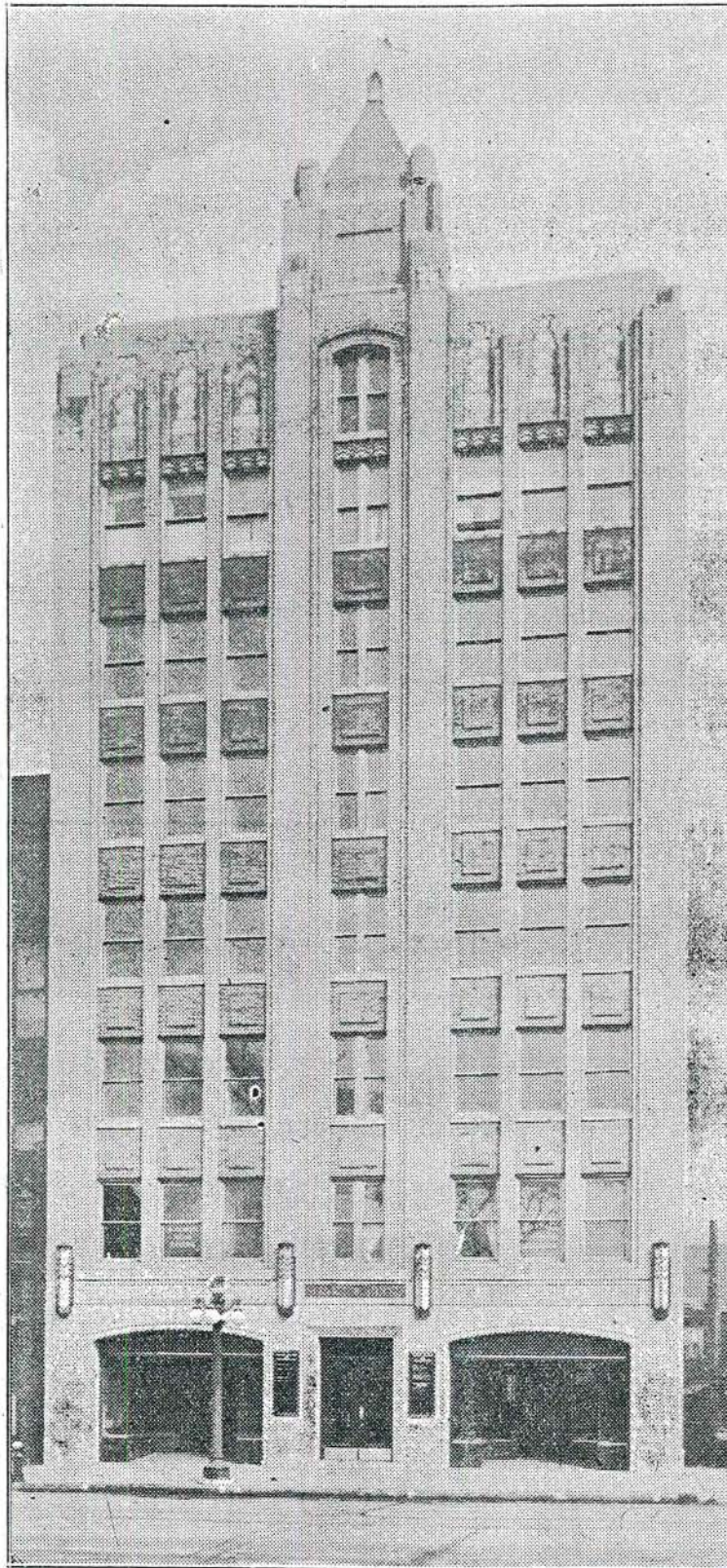
was made possible for the Green Mountain club by a gift for the total cost of building from Mortimer R. Proctor, president of the club. The original lodge was a gift of Mrs. Fletcher D. Proctor and her son, Mortimer R. Proctor. The present valuation is about \$30,000.

Architect Thayer has kept 12 men at work on the annex throughout the winter season and operations went on smoothly in spite of the fact that building was carried on at an altitude of about 2200 feet where weather is somewhat rigorous.

Clement Camp Finished.

The Green Mountain club has just completed another camp on the Long Trail with funds provided by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Field of Mendon. It has been named in memory of the father of the latter, the late Gov. Percival W. Clement. The site is in Shrewsbury, near the south approach to Mount Killington. The lodge is made of native stone and will accommodate 12 persons. The unique design was conceived by Mr. Thayer. It may be adopted as a model for camps on the hikers' trail.

SEVEN-STORY SERVICE BUILDING TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN MONTH; 60 P. C. OFFICE SPACE OCCUPIED; AIR BEACON



WILL DROP ALL TROLLEY LINES

ROAD RUN AT LOSS

The Rutland News
November 22, 1924

Aldermen May Act In Trolley Case

Several Favor Proceedings
to Determine City's
Rights In Matter.

The announcement made yesterday by Former Attorney General, John G. Sargent, general counsel for the Rutland Railway Light & Power Company, that after November 30, the company would cease operation of all of its trolley lines, caused much comment today.

Although nothing definite has been decided, it is known that several members of the Board of Aldermen are in favor of starting proceedings against the company to determine the city's rights. There are two important questions for consideration. If the company is allowed to stop operation of its lines will the city's road bed be placed in the same condition they were before the tracks were laid and has the Rutland Railway Light & Power Company authority to stop traction in Rutland under its charter.

Governor Proctor recently named Allen Sturtevant of Middlebury a special attorney to investigate the situation of the company and to protect the rights of the State. Attorney Sturtevant was in Rutland today.

Lawrence, Stafford & Bloomer represent the Town of West Rutland and they already have two cases with the company pending in Supreme Court. There is a possibility that some effort may be made to get a Supreme Court order restraining the Company from stopping operation of its cars before the Supreme Court decision is rendered.

John G. Sargent, General Counsel For Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company, Announces Company's Plan At Session of State Supreme Court In This City; Original Intention Was to Operate Cars to West Rutland.

John G. Sargent of Ludlow, general counsel for the Vermont Hydro-Electric Corporation and the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company, announced in Supreme Court this morning that the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company plans to discontinue all of its lines in the near future.

The statement was made because at the time the chancery case of the State of Vermont and the Town of West Rutland against the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company was argued before the Supreme Court, he stated that the railway company would continue to operate its cars as far as the Delaware & Hudson railroad station in West Rutland, until the decision of the Vermont Supreme Court was rendered. He stated that he desired to give this notice so that the plaintiffs, in the chancery case may have the opportunity to take any action that they desire before the service is discontinued. The company claims to have lost several thousand dollars in the operation of the cars during the last year.

Some three weeks ago Assistant Manager William H. Layson sent a letter to the Board of Aldermen saying that the railway earnings of the company showed a deficit of over \$18,000 and he asked the board to offer suggestions about a method to offset this loss.

The company has tried increased fares, curtailment of service and other means, but, the letter said, the earnings are still on the decline.

The company recently sold some of its street car equipment and its tracks from West Rutland to Poultney to the Vermont State Belt Railway Corporation. The Rutland company now operates cars from Rutland to West Rutland and on the North and South belt lines.

The Rutland News
November 24, 1924

Oppose Ending of Street Car Service

Move Expected to Be Made to Restrain Rutland Railway, Light & Power Co. From Discontinuing Operation of Trolley Lines.

Action to compel the Rutland, Railway Light and Power Co. to continue street railway service in and around Rutland is expected immediately. Movements are now under way which will result in some positive step before the end of the week. This will probably take the form of an application to the proper court authority for an order restraining the company from carrying out its announced intention of abandoning the lines on December 1.

The action may develop from any one or all of three different sources: city officials; Allen Sturtevant of Middlebury, Governor Proctor's special counsel in the Rutland County Street Railway situation; or the Town of West Rutland which has retained Lawrence, Stafford and Bloomer to represent its interests.

Since John G. Sargent of Ludlow,

general counsel for the company, announced in Supreme Court last week that the company would cease operations a week from today, city officials and others interested officially and unofficially have been trying to agree on the best method to bring about continuance of the service which is regarded as essential to the business interests and the convenience of the community.

Unless a complete change of heart is indicated on the part of the street railway company it is expected that application for a temporary restraining order would be opposed by the company. If the order is granted, a date for a hearing to ascertain whether the order would be made final would, according to the custom, be set. In the event of such hearing, detailed argument would be heard and the decision then handed down would be final.

AUTOBUSSES MAY REPLACE ST. CARS

APPLICATION MADE BY TRUCKING FIRM

**Ward Company Anxious to
Operate Autos on North
and South Belt Routes If
Street Car Service Is
Discontinued.**

The Ward Trucking Company is ready to establish autobus routes around the routes of the North and South belt lines of the Rutland Railway, Light and Power Co. if and when street railway service on these lines is discontinued.

This developed at a hearing on a contingent application before Public Service Commissioner West in the County Court House this morning when the Ward Trucking Company presented its application through its attorneys, M. C. Webber and Lindley S. Squires.

Mayor Dunn's Position.

Mayor Dunn told Commissioner West that, although he wanted it understood that he was not committing the city to any blanket approval of the proposal, that if street railway service were finally discontinued it appeared to him that bus lines provided the best way out. He recommended A. F. Ward, head of the trucking concern, as one well qualified by character and experience to undertake the direction of the enterprise.

State's Attorney Novak gave the State's contingent approval.

Aldermen Meet Tonight.

Developments now await the meeting of the Board of Aldermen tonight, called especially to consider local traffic problems and the attitude of the street railway officials.

It is considered fairly certain that, under some circumstances a restraining order from the court holding up discontinuance of the street railway service will be sought.

As the matter stands discontinuance of service on all street railway lines will go into effect on December 1.

The Rutland News
November 25, 1924

CONSIDER MEANS TO KEEP CARS RUNNING

**Special State Counsel, City Attorney or Attorneys For
Town of West Rutland May Take Action Aimed
to Prevent Cessation of Trolley Service
Next Monday.**

Plans of action in the Rutland Street railroad case are in process of formation today. Some effort to compel the continuation of service in Rutland and from Rutland to West Rutland is expected before the expiration of the ultimatum delivered by the company expires on December 1.

Allen Sturtevant, special counsel for the state in Rutland County street railway matters, was here today and conferred with Attorney General Archibald. If, in the opinion of those acting for the state, injunction proceedings to restrain the company from abandoning all street railway service can be sustained there is little doubt but that method will be followed.

City Attorney Clayton H. Kinney

is waiting for instructions from the Board of Aldermen or from Mayor Dunn before starting any action in the case; but inquiry among the members of the Board of Aldermen reveals that instructions will probably be issued to Mr. Kinney to proceed with whatever method he considers most likely to produce the result desired; the continuation of street railway service in Rutland and between Rutland and West Rutland.

The town of West Rutland, through its attorneys, Lawrence, Stafford and Bloomer, is likewise watching the proceedings with interest. Being deeply interested in continuation of service it is considered fairly certain that, if necessary the town of West Rutland will take a hand in proceedings.

STREETCAR SERVICE WILL BE CONTINUED

OPERATION TO CEASE DECEMBER 27TH

Compromise Calling for Month's Postponement of Traction Company's Plan to Abandon Trolley Lines Is Effected At Conference of City Officials and Company Representatives—Company Agrees to Continue Cars So As Not to Inconvenience Christmas Shoppers.

Street railway service in Rutland and from Rutland to West Rutland will be continued on the present schedule until December 27.

This result is the outcome of a movement initiated last evening at a stormy and secret session of the Board of Aldermen at which Mayor Dunn and City Attorney Kinney were present.

The compromise was effected at a conference today between Mayor Dunn, City Attorney Kinney, President Bruten of the Board of Aldermen, five other aldermen, General Manager J. G. Menut of the Rutland Railway, Light and Power Co., Attorney Leonard F. Wing and other power company officials.

Service to End Dec. 27.

The present intention of the company is to discontinue all service on December 27 at midnight. What course the city will follow has yet to be determined.

If application for an injunction were made by the city it would be necessary to provide a fairly heavy bond and if the final ruling of the courts were against the city the power company might have a heavy damage suit against the city. City officials, therefore, feel that steps should be taken cautiously.

Paving Matter Not Settled.

Street paving work around and between car tracks is a matter which will be discussed at future conferences.

The agreement as it stands leaves the city with hands free to proceed to a solution of the city's transportation problem in whatever way may be thought best. In this connection it is possible that some city officials at least will favor the operation of bus lines under conditions whereby for conveying certain privileges to a bus corporation this concern will guarantee a certain service backed by resources adequate to insure permanency of service.

Power Company Statement.

Regarding its position the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Co. issued the following statement:

"After meeting with the committee from the City Council this morning, at which time we were requested to keep our cars in operation until after the Christmas holidays—they suggesting that due to the increased travel during the holiday season there would be a considerable inconvenience to the public served by our lines, and that the City Council had not as yet had an opportunity to consider what arrangements could or should be made by way of furnishing transportation within the city after the cars were stopped—we have decided to attempt to keep the cars running until the night of December 27th, after which time all service will be discontinued.

Company's Problem Discussed.

A very full and frank discussion of the condition and situation of the railway department of the company was had with the committee and we believe that they have a better un-

derstanding of the acuteness of our problem as a result. In our attempt to continue operation for another month, which may mean a substantial loss in operation, we are actuated only by desire to serve and accommodate the public in every way possible commensurate with the income of the railway.

"We believe that the best interests of the city at large can be obtained by cooperation in every way possible between the company and the City and feel that as the result of the meeting this morning, the immediate problem of transportation in the City has been helped."

RUTLAND OUT OF LEAGUE

Players, Paid Off This Morning, Leave City; Club Lacked Financial Backing.

The Rutland baseball season for 1924 is finished. Arthur Prouse, president, of the Rutland County Athletic Association, paid off his players this morning and most of them have departed. The season started May 15 and was scheduled to run to September 1. The reason for the disbanding of the local team is lack of financial support.

Rutland at the start of the season was supposed to have raised \$6000 by a stock issue. It was believed that with this amount and the good guarantees which it was told it would receive for games played in Canada, Rutland could finish the season in pretty good condition.

Canadian Trips Unprofitable.

Rutland increased its revenue, however, on only one Canadian trip. The best the team received on its other Canadian trips was its \$125 guarantee for each game, which hardly covered the day's expenses.

The receipts of the home games were not so large as last year and the fans seemed to lack interest in the team. The management expended about \$3000 on improvements at St. Peter's field.

Team Was Long in Lead.

Rutland had a good team and was leading the league the greater part of the time. When it dropped out it was four and one-half games behind the Quebec team for first position.

At the start of the season Rutland team was obliged to put up \$500 with the treasurer of the league for its franchise, which money was to be used in defraying the expenses of the league, such as umpires, and league officials. Rutland will lose this guarantee.

Will Lose Sales of Players.

The management of the Rutland team last Sunday claimed that the Montreal Royals should reimburse Rutland to the extent of \$800 for Montreal's refusal to play. This matter was taken up with Joseph Paige, president of the league, but thus far the Rutland team has not received its money.

Rutland stood a good chance of getting from \$4000 to \$5000 for ball players providing it finished the season. But when a team disbands the players are free agents.

The Rutland News
July 7, 1924

GETS INJUNCTION IN TROLLEY CASE

Town of West Rutland Forces Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company to Run Cars as Far as West Rutland Station; Judge Willcox Grants Petition of W. Rutland Residents.

Acting on a petition of residents of West Rutland and the Delaware & Hudson station since 1884. It further sets up that the business establishments, banks, schools and quarries were located between the points and further that the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company could operate the cars from Clarendon Avenue and Causeway Streets to the Delaware & Hudson Station for a very little extra expense.

The company accepted the temporary injunction order and today the cars were run as far as the Delaware & Hudson Railroad.

Lawrence, Stafford & Boomer appear for the Town of West Rutland. The petition set up that the cars had been operated continuously be-

The Rutland News
July 12, 1924

STATE BECOMES THIRD PARTY IN TROLLEY HEARING

**Judge Moulton Before Whom Injunction Action Is Brought
Continues Session Until Monday; Fenton, for Street Car
Company, Files Demurrer to Entire Proceedings
Which Seek to Compel Company to Operate
Cars as Far as D. & H. Station in West
Rutland.**

Hearing on the temporary injunction proceedings held this morning before Superior Judge Sherman R. Moulton at the County Court House relative to the continuance of the operation of trolley cars from Rutland to the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Station in West Rutland brought a new phase into the many legal tangles of the situation.

Attorney Allen Sturtevant said that at the request of Gov. Proctor and Attorney General Archibald he had investigated the situation and that the petition of the Town of West Rutland disclosed facts in which the State of Vermont is interested. The State asked permission to enter its appearance as a party to the proceedings, without prejudice to the right of the State to ask for a forfeiture of the Rutland Railway, Light & Power company charter. In

his opening remarks Sturtevant said that the company received its charter from the State.

Attorney Walter S. Fenton filed a demurrer to the entire proceedings, saying that the Court of Chancery was not the place to hear the case. He quoted authorities from the Vermont Supreme Court which vested full authority in the Public Service Commission. Judge Moulton made no decision but continued the hearing until Monday afternoon when further authorities will be submitted.

Lawrence, Stafford & Bloomer and L. R. Noble represented the Town of West Rutland, Stickney, Sargent & Skeeles and Fenton, Wing & Morse the Rutland Railway, Light & Power company. Attorney Sturtevant, and State's Attorney Novak appeared for the State.

The Rutland News
July 14, 1924

INJUNCTION AGAINST TROLLEY COMPANY DISSOLVED TODAY

Judge Sherman R. Moulton Says That Public Service Commission Has Entire Jurisdiction in Dispute Involving Operation of Street Cars in West Rutland.

Superior Judge Sherman R. Moulton in a decision this morning, dissolved the temporary injunction restraining the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company from stopping the operation of the street cars at Clarendon Avenue and Causeway Streets in West Rutland. An injunction signed by Superior Judge Julius Willcox compelled the company to operate the cars as far as the Delaware & Hudson Railroad Station in West Rutland.

Judge Moulton said that in his opinion the question is a matter for the Public Service Commission whom he believes has entire jurisdiction in the matter.

Stickney, Sargent & Skeels and Fenton, Wing & Morse appeared for the Rutland Railway, Light & Power Company, Lawrence, Stafford & Bloomer and L. R. Noble appeared for the Town of West Rutland and Attorney Allen Sturtevant of Middlebury and States Attorney Charles E. Novak represented the State.

Rutland Daily Herald
March, 5, 1930

With more than 60 per cent of office space now occupied and only a few finishing touches to be applied to ground floor stores, work on the new seven-story Service building on Merchants Row will be completed within a month, according to Carl B. Hinsman, owner.

Tenants who have established offices in the building are: Isadore Backon, tailor; Dr. Joseph A. Marini; Monarch Accident Insurance company; Jones & Jones, lawyers; Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance company; C. H. Springer, architect; Elias F. Haddad, lawyer; Provident

Mutual Life Insurance company; Metropolitan Life Insurance company; Dr. Earle E. Johnson, dentist; Aetna Life Insurance company; Jack A. Crowley, lawyer; Dr. Stewart Ross and Dr. E. J. Rogers.

Beacon Tops Building.

The total over-all height of the structure is 101 feet. The tower has been built higher than originally called for in the plans and will rear 20 feet above the parapet wall. A beacon of marine glass, slightly tinted with amber, is visible far away and aviators who wish to land in Rutland at night will be aided by the beacon's guiding light, it is stated.

The Service building's front is of cream-colored hard pressed brick of red buff. Two store fronts on Merchants Row have ornamental trimmings and are made of buff cast stone. The stores are 18 feet wide and have a depth of 80 feet. Above the stores are four modernistic bronze lanterns of colored glass. A special Siamese hose construction of brass is arranged near the main entrance so that, in case of fire, hose may be hitched to the outlet and water pumped into the fire line inside the building.

At the main entrance, a vestibule eight feet wide leads to the lobby which is 27 feet deep.

Marble Trimmings.

Panels in rose taverne marble, with verde antique trimmings, decorate the lobby. Alternate squares of verde antique and travertine flooring add to its attractiveness. The ceiling is graduated in height and ornamented with a modernistic light in the center with other lights on the side. The stores also have the same type of modernistic design in the lights at entrances and windows.

As the building is of the modern, set-back construction, perfect lighting is given each office. Street windows have Venetian blinds, made of linden wood, which may be raised or lowered to diffuse light as desired by tenants. The sixth and seventh floors rise above surrounding buildings which gives each room on these floors outside lighting. There are 12 office rooms to each floor or a total of 72 rooms in the building. Each has its own entrance off the corridor and the offices adjoin each other so that, if tenants wish, several rooms may be utilized in combination.

Office walls are of rough plaster and are decorated with dome ceiling lights with bakelite canopies. The rooms are served with hot and cold water from brass pipes. Each floor also has a meter room with a master switch for every room and a fire proof door leading to the metal and cement stairs. Oak and hardwood floors have been installed, with wood trim.

The heating system consists of vapor steam heat with quick opening radiator valves.

Ventilation is perfected by means of a light well in the center of the structure which is 15 feet square. It is surrounded by fireproof walls with steel sash and wire glass windows. All electric wiring is enclosed in a metal conduit and metal lath. The telephone company has installed a special service cable and telephone wires have been run in concealed mouldings.

Store floors are of reinforced concrete. Upper floors are made of wood joists laid between a steel frame. Walls and floors of store show windows are of moulded composition of Spanish style.

High Speed Elevator.

An Otis elevator of modern, high-speed type, with micro-leveilling apparatus, and manually operated, is designed large enough to handle both peak, or rush hours during the early

morning and late afternoon periods. A Cutler mailing chute is stationed near the elevator shaft on each floor.

The entire building contains 106 tons of structural steel and is the largest in this vicinity. The old building which stood on the site of the new one was turned over to a wrecking crew on October 16, 1928 and actual construction of the Service building was started about a year ago.

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Rutland Daily Herald
January 14, 1930

Foundation Ready For \$70,000 Garage

**Hudson-Essex Building To Be
Occupied In April; Twenty
Men Working On Job.**

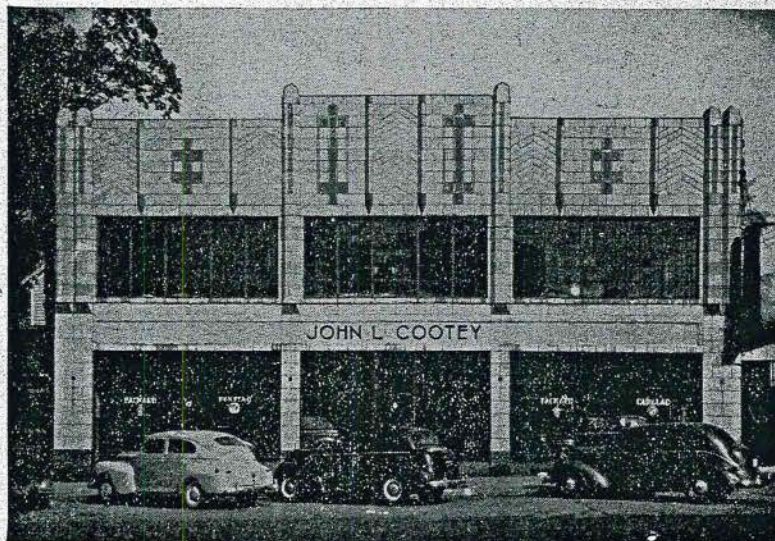
The concrete foundation and walls of the new \$70,000 garage under construction by the Rutland Hudson-Essex company at West and Evelyn streets, one of the largest building projects to be carried on here in 1930, have been completed and it is expected that the company will be able to move into its new quarters during April.

The building, when completed, will be one of the largest in Rutland for automobile storage and sales. It will extend 150 feet back from West street and will be 65 feet wide. A ramp driveway will lead from West street along the east side of the building which will be used as an entrance for automobiles.

The steel framework for the first story has been placed on the lot and will be used within the next few weeks, it was stated.

The project gives employment at present to more than 20 men.

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Rutland Daily Herald

February 10, 1931

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Rutland Daily Herald

June 23, 1931

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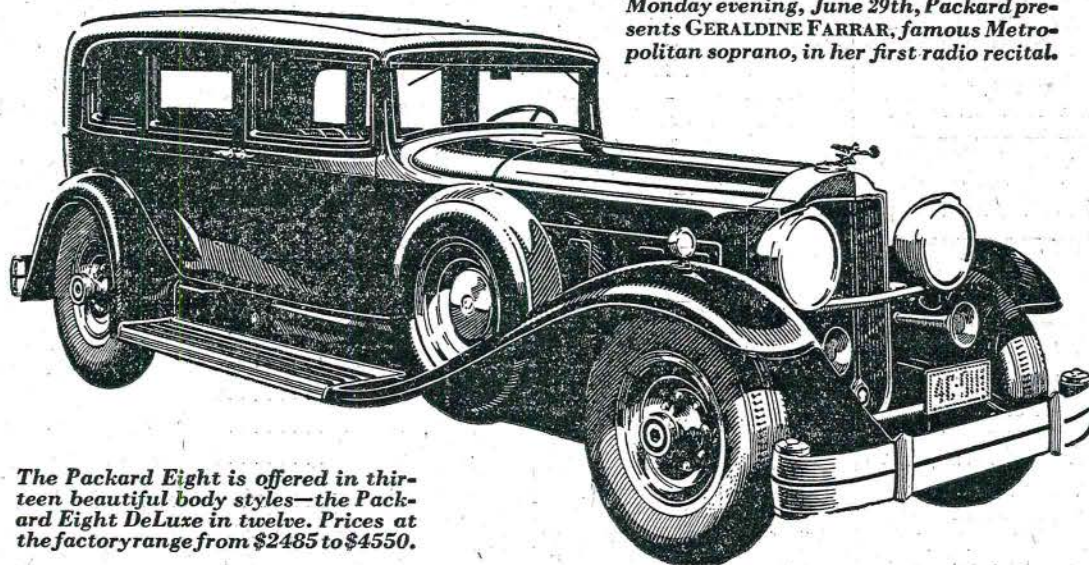
The chassis are longer in wheelbase, wider in tread and with new frames. Bodies have been redesigned for greater beauty, strength and luxury. They are now most thoroughly insulated against exterior heat, cold and noise.

The new Vee radiator provides an identifying mark of smartness. The new bonnet houses a more powerful motor, floated in rubber, and one that only purrs in its supreme quietness.

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NEW YEAR SEES BIG BUILDING BOOM HERE

**Five Homes Costing \$180,-
000 Erected on N. Grove
Street; More Planned.**

A remarkable development, believed unprecedented in the real estate and building annals of Rutland has taken place on North Grove street where lots said to be valued at more than \$175,000 have been purchased by home builders.

Five dwellings, costing approximately \$180,000, are now in process of construction on the sites and five others will be started in the spring, it is expected. One of the homes will cost nearly \$70,000 it is expected.

Real estate men pointed out yesterday that the sudden flurry of building along the thoroughfare, which passes by the Rutland Country club grounds, was only a natural one. Improvements which cost \$75,000 were made at the Country club, water mains were extended and cement walks laid.

Willson Home Elaborate.

One of the largest and most beautiful homes in the city is being constructed by Earl V. K. Willson on North Grove street. The house is of field stone, of old-English type and is situated on a hill overlooking the city and the entire eastern range of mountains.

The stone which is being used for this house is taken from an ancient stone wall on the Temple farm on the Creek road. The fence extends over the hill and was built about 50 years ago by Gen. H. H. Baxter, who formerly owned the property.

Unemployment had gripped the city at that time and Gen. Baxter, wishing to alleviate the situation here, offered employment at \$1 a day to any number of men who cared to work. He gave them the task of clearing a large tract of stones and the fence was the result of their efforts.

Other New Residences.

Stephen C. Dorsey is also building an English-type home of field stone on Grove street. He expects to move in soon.

Attorney Marvelle C. Webber has already moved into his new home. The house is painted white and is of the Colonial style, with a double-car garage, made of stone, attached to the house.

Others who are occupying new dwellings on the thoroughfare are Dr. Ralph H. Seeley and Dr. Charles H. Swift. Both homes are of brick, Colonial type.

The transfers of most of the building lots were made through the office of E. Dyer Wiltsie, jr.

WINDOWS BROKEN IN OIL BURNER BLAST

An explosion caused by a newly-installed oil burner Saturday blew out several panes of glass and alarmed workmen engaged in the construction of the new garage at 169 West street, owned by John L. Cootey of North Main street and Susie D. Cootey of Washington street.

Mr. Cootey was unable to state last night just what caused the explosion. The burner was inclosed in a room in the extreme rear end of the building. There were about 15 men engaged at work, when the accident occurred. The oil burner was slightly damaged.

\$135,000 IN BUILDING HERE IN SIX MONTHS

**Records Show Nine Houses
Erected; Several Business
Projects Begun.**

Building projects begun in Rutland between January 1 and June 1 of this year, have involved expenditures estimated at \$135,000, records in the hands of Charles G. Noyes, building inspector, and on file at the city clerk's office show. There is indication that the last six months of 1930 will not fall far behind the first half of the year.

Construction of the Shell Gasoline company bulk station on Spruce street at an estimated cost of \$20,000 building of the Standard Oil gasoline station at West and Wales street at an estimated cost of \$21,000 and repair work at the Meldon school are among the major items for the first six months of the year.

Permits Issued.

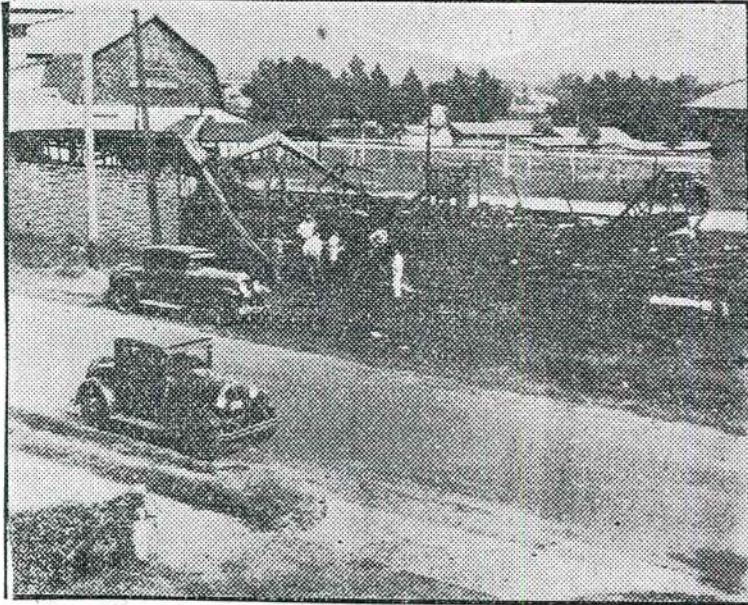
The building permits issued during the first six months of the year are as follows: Nine houses, to be constructed at an estimated cost of \$50,000; 16 garages, whose estimated cost is \$8000; one store, to be built at a cost of \$4000; three additions to houses, \$4500; 15 miscellaneous projects, such as the construction of poultry houses, piazza and barns, \$2500; Shell Bulk gasoline station, \$20,000; Grace Fur Storage building on Killington avenue, \$5000; Standard Oil gasoline station at West and Wales streets, \$21,000; Mintzer Brothers Gasoline station, Park and Grove streets, \$6000; repairs at Meldon school, \$14,000.

There is considerable other construction contemplated during the next six months. The Beacon Oil company will build a station at Strongs avenue and South Main street, formerly the site of the Greenwood hotel. Mintzer Brothers plan to erect a modern gasoline station at West and Evelyn streets, tearing down the buildings now on that site. A number of permits to erect houses and garages have been granted by the board of aldermen.

Among the important projects finished during the first six months of the year was the garage building at 169-173 West street, built by John L. and Susie D. Cootey at an estimated cost of nearly \$70,000. The new garage is on the site of the old Methodist church, which was burned to the ground several years ago.

The Rutland hospital has a \$280,000 building program under way. Work on this was begun in 1929.

HERALD PICTURES OF RUINS OF INDUSTRIAL BUILDING



Above is view showing how exhibition hall at fair grounds, which formerly housed merchants' displays, looked after disastrous fire of Sunday morning, July 12. Photograph was taken from piazza roof on Park street.



A charred mass of wreckage is all that flames left of the Industrial building at the Rutland fair grounds. The above picture is an end view, looking west. Firemen succeeded in saving all other fair equipment.

Rutland Daily Herald
July 20, 1931

FAIR TO REBUILD INDUSTRIAL HALL

Noyes Awarded Contract
to Replace Structure
Burned on July 12.

TO COST \$13,000

Construction work will start immediately on a new \$13,000 Industrial building on the Rutland Fair grounds in accordance with action taken by the officials and trustees of the Fair association at a special meeting in the association office Saturday afternoon.

Charles G. Noyes of Adams street, local contractor who has erected other fair buildings, was given the contract for the new structure. He assured the fair officials that the exhibition hall would be completed in sufficient time to allow the merchants and manufacturers to arrange their showings before the opening of this season's fair on Labor Day, September 7.

The new structure will be similar to the one destroyed by fire. However, a number of changes have been made in the plans which are expected to add to the convenience and beauty. At the entrance on the west and the south side, colonial type porches will be incorporated. These entrances will be colonaded in a manner similar to that with which the design of the Boys' and Girls' building is marked. Four large 14-foot columns will support a roof over each entrance.

To Be Built of Wood.

Roofing on this new structure will be of slate shingles so as to be fire-proof. The frame-work, partitions and outside covering will be of wood, as was the former building. The concrete floor and foundation which served the former structure will also be used in the exhibition hall. For 108 feet of the 254-foot ridge of the building's roof, a glass enclosed monitor is to be constructed to provide light in the daytime and ventilation both day and night.

The west end of the structure will be given over to offices. The Rutland Chamber of Commerce will occupy a portion of the building on this end, as it did formerly. President Will L. Davis and Secretary Frank S. Nicholson will have offices in this part of the building and space will be allotted for the accommodation of the ticket sellers. Here the gate receipts and tickets will be counted and checked. A ticket sales booth will occupy the northwest corner of the building so that fair-goers approaching from Park street will not have to go around to the main gate on South Main street. Women's toilet and rest room facilities will be improved.

Merchants Will Co-operate.

President Davis stated that the Fair association has been assured the full co-operation of all the merchants and manufacturers who formerly occupied exhibition space in the Industrial building. It was principally because of this assurance that the association officials and trustees acted to rebuild the destroyed hall immediately.

Fair to Dedicate New State Building September 4



GOVERNOR AND OTHER STATE OFFICIALS TO BE AT LOCAL EXPOSITION THURSDAY

Executive Will Speak When New Structure for Boys' and Girls' Exhibits Formally Opens.

Gov. John E. Weeks will dedicate the new \$20,000 State building at the Rutland fair grounds on Governor's Day, September 4. However, the building will be open to the public for the first time on Monday, September 1, when the fair begins.

The 100 by 74-foot structure was completed yesterday. It is located directly opposite the grandstand along the fence on the south side of the grounds. Following the colonial type of architecture, it has fluted pillars, 26 inches in diameter, 20 feet high, which support a porch 50 by 12 feet, the floor of which is finished with concrete and mosaic slate.

On the first floor will be located the principal booths of the Vermont state and the boys' and girls' departments. On each end of the second floor are demonstration rooms, 25 by 50 feet, connected on each side of the building with balconies 17 feet wide and 50 feet long, thus providing plenty of space for club exhibits. A large demonstration platform is located at the west end, with seating capacity for 150 on the floor below.

First Floor Arrangements.

Nearly all the first floor is given up to the 4-H club work of Rutland county under E. E. Bergstrom and Farm Bureau Agent T. D. Cook. Here will be shown fruit, vegetables, canned goods, home cooking, handicraft and garments.

Leon Smith of Pittsford will exhibit numerous pieces of manual training and achievement work of all kinds. Miss Valeria LaMountain, home demonstration agent, will also have a display of club work which includes achievement work on furniture and chairs, also other exhibits that have been handled by women in her clubs.

Lunch Counter Planned.

The boys and girls will operate a fully-equipped lunch counter at the west end of the building and they will also operate a sales booth on the second floor.

Other exhibits in the building include these of the State agricultural, forestry, markets, milk demonstration, pine blister rust and many other departments.

State Officials Coming.

Thomas Bradlee and Professor Ingalls of the University of Vermont extension service will also speak at the dedication ceremony on Thursday.

Seven county 4-H clubs competing will be given a booth for their exhibits. The clubs will decorate and arrange exhibits in their booths, in competition for an 18-inch loving cup to be presented by Gov. Weeks. The cup must be won for three years to allow permanent possession.

The counters and frames in this building have been arranged in a portable form for construction which will make possible the clearing out of at least one half of the building making the first floor available for meetings, demonstrations, fairs and other gatherings, giving a seating capacity of at least 300.

Topped By Flag Poles.

Near the front door, in evergreen slate outlined by a red border, is the name of the building, "Vermont State 4-H Clubs building." Suitable flags will be floated from 18-foot flag poles on top of the building, the Vermont state emblem on the east end, the 4-H club emblem on the west end and the Stars and Stripes under the porch roof. The grounds in front of the building will be seeded and sodded and suitable trees and shrubbery set out.

In the building will be found modern rest rooms for both men and women.

Deeds Passed for "Swap" of Library Building and U. S. Courthouse Here

The city of Rutland now owns the Federal building and its site on Court street at the intersection of Center and the United States government owns the Rutland Free library building and grounds on West street, just west of Merchants Row.

Deeds for the "swapping" of the property, which is preliminary to the erection of a new postoffice building here, were passed yesterday when United States District Attorney Harry B. Amey delivered to City Attorney Charles E. Novak a deed from the government for the Court street site and received the city's deed for the library on which the new United States courthouse and postoffice is to stand.

The deed from the city was signed by Mayor Arthur W. Perkins and that from the government by Andrew W. Mellon, secretary of the treasury.

This completes negotiations for a new postoffice site in Rutland begun four years ago when a Chamber of Commerce committee was appointed to take steps to procure better mail handling facilities for the city. The committee comprises Fred A. Field, sr., Postmaster Charles H. West, Herman W. Vaughan, George L. R. French, Walter S. Fenton and Clarence H. Murdick.

The next step will be the razing of the library building to make way for the new structure, for which \$330,000 has been appropriated. It is expected that demolition will begin during the coming summer and that actual construction of the new postoffice will start in 1931.

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CHURCH CLUB HEARS TALK ON VERMONT

Etta Franklin Tells Story of State Seal; Calls In- dian True Vermonter.

The story as to how the state of Vermont obtained its seal was related to a group of men at the vestry of St. Paul's church last evening by Miss Etta Franklin, principal of Lincoln school. Miss Franklin was the speaker at a supper given by the men's club of the church, her topic being "Vermont."

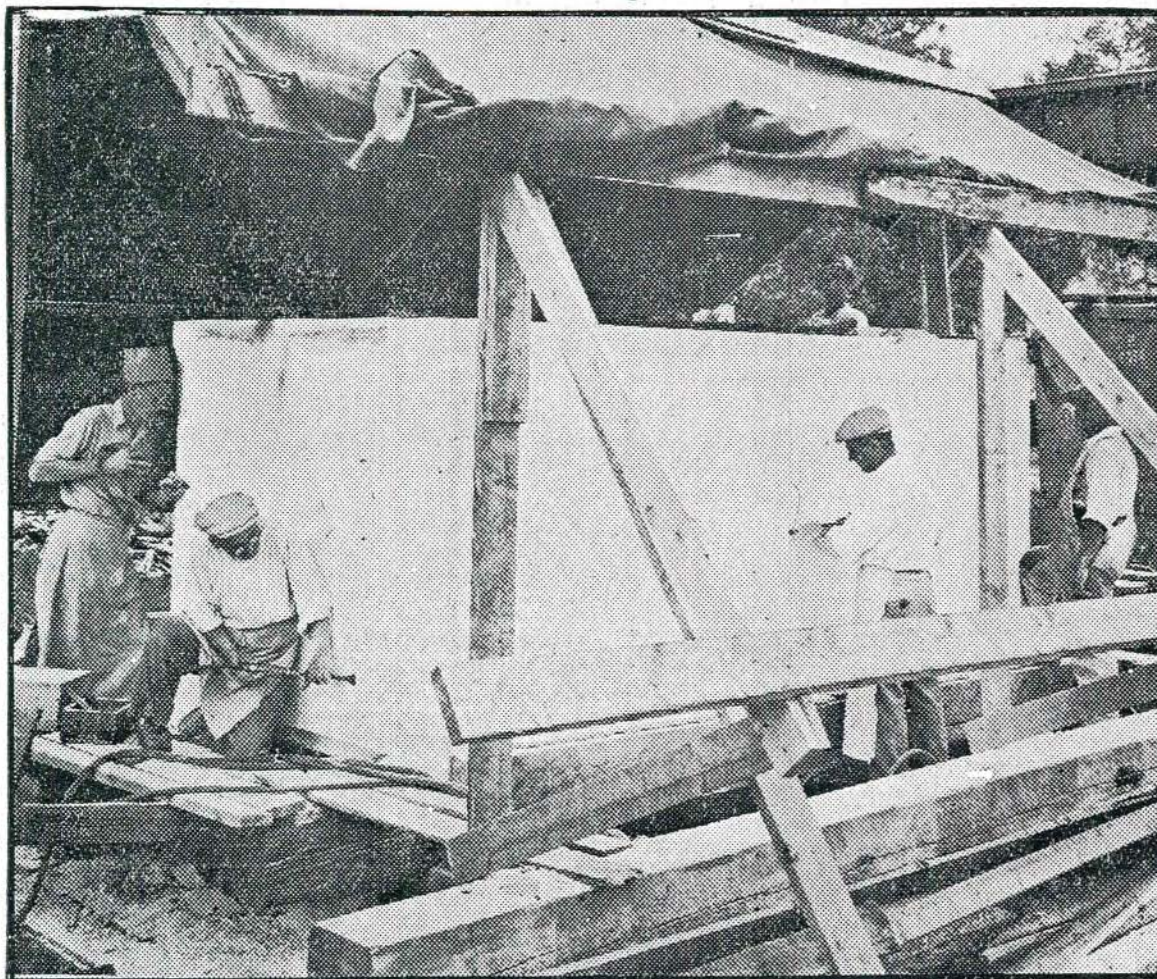
"Few people know how the state obtained its seal," Miss Franklin declared. "Ira Allen was responsible for it. He once visited at the home of Gov. Thomas Chittenden, the first governor of the state, and he noticed a tin cup on the bottom of which was inscribed a seal. The latter had been drawn by an English officer who came to visit the governor's maid. In an idle moment, he had made the drawing. Allen took the cup to a Mr. Deane in Windsor and for \$4.85, a print was made. That is how Vermont got its seal."

That the first schoolhouse in Vermont was built in Bennington at a cost of \$60, and the pay for teachers was a half dollar a week was brought out by Miss Franklin. The speaker related some of the difficulties of early teachers.

"The true Vermonter was the Indian," Miss Franklin asserted. "As you study their lives you can not help but admire them," she said. She told of the first sermon preached in Vermont by Rev. John Williams, who, with his family, was captured by the Indians and carried into the state from Massachusetts.

Henry C. Farrar, president of the club, presided at the meeting and vocal entertainment was furnished by Miss Christine Germond, who was accompanied on the piano by Miss Harriet Mattison.

Proctor Carvers Finishing Tomb for Unknown



Workmen of the Vermont Marble company's plant at Proctor at work carving 56-ton white block for the tomb of the unknown soldier in National cemetery at Arlington, Va. The gigantic block was taken from the Vermont Marble company's quarries at Marble, Colo., 10,000 feet above sea level, and brought down the snow-covered Colorado mountains for shipment to Proctor.

UNKNOWN SOLDIER'S TOMB BEING CARVED

Proctor Shop Finishing 56-Ton Marble Block for National Cemetery.

Under a tented canopy, near the Proctor shops, the Vermont Marble company's carvers are now at work on the tomb of the unknown soldier. The final carving will be done after the block has been set in National cemetery at Arlington, Va.

It was understood in 1921, when the unknown soldier was brought home, that it was the government's purpose to complete the temporary memorial which was reared in his honor. Later, under a congressional appropriation of about \$50,000, a competition was announced and the designers of the country were asked to submit plans. The winning design, chosen among 73 was sent in by Lorimer Rich, a New York architect, associated with Thomas Hudson Jones, sculptor. It called for the erection of a huge sarcophagus of white marble, and for such changes in the grounds as might be required to make the approach to the tomb more impressive and inspiring.

Weights 56 Tons.

The block for that sarcophagus weighing 56 tons, was brought down from the mountains of Colorado, 10,000 feet above sea level. The quarries of the Vermont Marble company at Marble, Colo., are probably the highest in the world and the moving of this gigantic shaft out of the quarry and down the snow-blanketed mountains to a point where it could be loaded for cross-country shipment was attended by innumerable handicaps and dangers. All the difficulties have been surmounted, however, and the block is now in Proctor where the finishing is being done.

Particularly notable, are the three sculptured figures representing Victory, Peace and Valor, which are designed for the end of the tomb which faces the Potomac and the national capital. Wide steps will lead up to this from a level 20 feet below. On the other end, facing the Arlington memorial, is the inscription; while on the sides, set apart by Doric Pilasters, are six carved wreaths—the emblems of memory.

The finished tomb, including sarcophagus, cap and bases, will be approximately 16 feet long, 10 feet wide, and 11 feet high.

Epitomized Narrative of Towns in One of Vermont's Most Populous and Thriving Counties Whose Founding Was in Itself a Romance, Written Brilliantly and Accurately.

No. 23—History Of Shrewsbury

BY MARY SPARGO.

The charter of the town of Shrewsbury was granted September 4, 1761, by Benning Wentworth, royal governor of New Hampshire, but settlement was not made until some years after that date.

The first settler was Lemuel White who moved into Shrewsbury from Rockingham, one of the earliest towns settled in this state. White cleared the first land, built the first tavern, was the first town representative and was captain of the first militia raised in town, but he could neither read nor write. Most of his positions he won by virtue of being the first settler evidently, for he seems to have been regarded as a most eccentric and miserly individual. One historian records, apparently with some satisfaction, that when the British were foraging through the town they turned their horses into Capt. White's wheat field.

The organization of the town occurred March 20, 1781. Lemuel White was moderator; Aaron Esty, town clerk; Lemuel White, 1st selectman; Samuel Benton, 2nd selectman; Nehemiah Smith, 3rd; Benedict Webber, treasurer; Zebediah Green, constable; Samuel Benton, 1st lister; Joseph Randall, 2nd; William Smith, 3rd; Samuel Benton, town grand juror.

There are evidences that Indians traveled the wilds of Shrewsbury before white men came upon the scene but historians have not recorded any clashes between them and the white men whom they regarded as usurpers. One early settler of Shrewsbury, John Kilburn, was the hero of a desperate Indian battle in Rockingham, August 17, 1756. Kilburn, a founder of Rockingham, moved to Shrewsbury soon after the first settlement was made there. The desperate, and successful fight, he, three other men, and two women made in a garrisoned farmhouse to defend themselves from 400 savages is one of the epic tales of American history, but it does not belong in this sketch.

The old military road, 60 which reference has been made several times, passed through the town. Imaginative boys and girls as they pass through Shrewsbury may picture first the stealthy savages creeping along the old forest trail; next the hardy men of Vermont and New Hampshire, hewing and cutting down giant trees to make a road for armies to pass over, and finally the bands of soldiers marching along to the French and Indian and Revolutionary wars.

Like many other towns Shrewsbury is divided into several smaller settlements Cuttingsville and Finneyville, both of which were named for the men who first settled in that particular locality in town. Darwin A. Finney, congressman from Pennsylvania, was born in Finneyville, the son of Nathan Finney, fifth settler of Shrewsbury.

Costly Mausoleum.

Cuttingsville is chiefly distinguished for a costly mausoleum of marble and granite erected in 1880-1881 by John P. Bowman, a wealthy resident of New York city, who was born in Clarendon. Dorman B. E. Kent of the Vermont Historical society says of it "No stranger memorial was ever built by mortal man." Child's Gazetteer and Directory of Rutland County, published in 1882, says of the same tomb "In a small unpretentious rural graveyard, located in this

village, there has been erected a Grecian tomb which is one of the marvels of its class on this continent; a gem that will continue to delight the hearts of lovers of the beautiful through countless ages, and, imperishable as the rock-ribbed hills that form its setting." Inside the mausoleum solid plate glass mirrors reflect the statuary and produce "the most dazzling optical illusions;" outside there is a life-size statue of Mr. Bowman, who was living when the tomb was built, ascending the steps, key in hand, "to open the shelter...where sleep his cherished dead." Whatever may be said of "Laurel Glen Mausoleum," there is no doubt that it forms a striking addition to a little country cemetery.

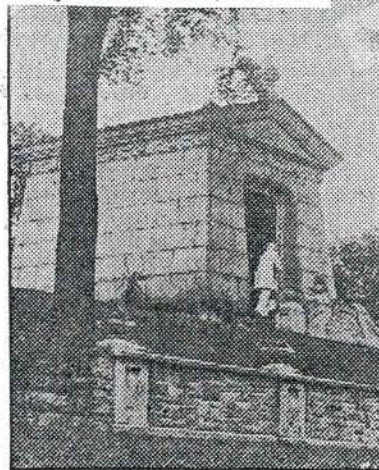
In the southern part of the Green Mountains which practically surround Shrewsbury, are deposits of copperas, which have never proved of great commercial value. In 1828 Calvin Robinson of Cuttingsville sold his interest in Copperas Hill to a company chartered as the "Green Mountain Manufacturing Company" which was conducted by Jeremiah Dow. This firm employed about 30 men, and made nine tons of copperas daily for a time, but within a few years the project was abandoned.

Fatal Epidemic.

The epidemic of 1813 was more fatal to residents of Shrewsbury than to those of many other towns in the state. Nathan Finney of Finneyville was one of those who succumbed to the disease, which seems to have been a sort of septic sore throat. Doctor Holton of Shrewsbury was a martyr, and sacrificed his life for his patients at the time of the epidemic.

Finney kept one of the first taverns, some historians say the first tavern in town, which was a great haven for smugglers. At one time a band of smugglers was chased from Rutland to Shrewsbury. As they neared the tavern they threw their sleigh-load of fine goods from Canada over a high embankment. When the officers caught them at Finney's tavern, no traces of smuggled goods

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Herald Photo.

Bowman tomb, of which it is said: "No stranger memorial was ever built by mortal man."

could be found. As soon as the officers had left, the contraband was recovered and taken to Boston, where it was sold for a high price.

A murder in 1869 was one of the most exciting events that ever happened in Shrewsbury. For years there had been a feud between the Plumley and Gilman families; blows had been exchanged, and a number of legal battles had been waged from time to time. In the spring of 1869 John Gilman's cattle broke into Ziba Plumley's fields. Plumley and his two sons, Horace and Frederick, had a heated quarrel about it. Horace got his gun, and his father, so the account runs, told him to shoot Gilman. All three of the Plumley family were immediately arrested and brought to trial in Rutland County court.

The father was sentenced to life imprisonment and died of apoplexy in 1875. Horace was sentenced to be hanged, but the sentence was commuted by Gov. Stewart, to life imprisonment. Ziba was treated with special leniency because as one historian puts it he was adjudged "half underwitted". The story is told that after the trial the three Plumley men had a discussion of their sentences and Frederick remarked that he thought he had been well treated.

"You do, do you?" growled the old father, "I should think you had! Twenty years in state's prison and called a d—d fool by them at that!"

Shrewsbury has always been noted as a dairy town, and has never had any important manufacturing establishments except cheese factories. Shrewsbury peak, 3737 feet high in the northeastern corner of the town, is often mistaken in the distance for Killington.

The first church built in town was the Universalist church at Shrewsbury village, erected in 1804. The society was organized by John Kilburn, jr. The first Christian church was organized November 9, 1822, and a meeting house was erected in 1841. The Union church, owned by the Baptist and Congregation association of Vermont, was built in 1842. The Second Advent church, at North Shrewsbury, was organized with eight members in 1878.

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PROPOSED CATHOLIC COMMUNITY CENTER



Pictured above is the present Rutland council, Knights of Columbus' home on Merchants Row and the \$50,000 addition, which the club has voted to build. Trustees of the council have been given power to proceed with construction of the addition, which adjoins the south side of the home and will extend into the rear of the property. In the first and main floor will be a basketball court and a council room for degree work. This room will also be used for dancing and public assemblages. In the basement provision will be made for dining hall and possibly bowling alleys, among other things. Entrance will be from the Merchants Row side, the picture showing the ornamental front planned. Trustees working on the plan are James P. Leamy, Edward L. Burke, Frank H. Duffy, Dr. F. E. Quigley, Harold I. O'Brien, John H. Sullivan, Leon S. Robillard.

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THREE SHOPS USE WHISTLE SIGNALS

**Agitation May Be Started
to Still Blasts; Wood-
fin Favors Move.**

A survey made yesterday, following the recent publication of a letter to the Herald referring to the blowing of factory whistles as a source of disturbance, revealed that there are only three factories or shops in the city which blow whistles at the beginning and end of working hours. One of these concerns is in favor of abolishing the whistles entirely on the ground that they are a nuisance and unnecessary.

Howard F. Woodfin, president of the Lincoln Iron Works, which has used the same whistle every working day since the early sixties at 6.40, 7, 12, 12.40, 1 and 5 o'clock, expressed himself as being heartily in favor of doing away entirely with shop whistles. He stated that they are unnecessary at the Iron works, since there is an auto-call system within the shops.

Wayne N. Temple, secretary-treasurer of Temple Brothers marble company, another of the mills which blows whistles, stated that for the present, at least, that company would continue to use its steam whistle, since there is no auto-call system within the shops and the blasts constitute the only means of calling men to work. He also said that he did not believe the whistle to be a nuisance throughout the city.

G. L. R. French, vice president of the Rutland Railroad company, whose shop whistle blows regularly, said that it is a custom which has prevailed for many years so that the workmen have come to depend upon it.

The Howe Scale company, Patch-Wegner company, Manning Manufacturing company and Rutland Fire Clay company have discontinued blowing their whistles, some of them several years ago.

Auto Building At Fairgrounds Burns; Loss Fully \$75,000

FLAMES MENACE ENTIRE PLEASURE GROUND

Help Is Summoned from West Rutland and Proctor; for Time Situation Appears to Endanger Southern Section of City; Houses in Immediate Vicinity Are Kept Moist with Water by Fire Department.

Fire of undetermined origin about 4 o'clock this morning totally destroyed the huge automobile building at the fairgrounds, endangered several nearby houses and for a while threatened to sweep through the several or more valuable buildings on the north side of the grounds.

Loss was unofficially estimated at 5 o'clock this morning at nearly \$75,000.

The building housed the Rutland Miniature Golf Course, valued at more than \$15,000.

Help was summoned from West Rutland and Proctor to assist the Rutland department.

So great was the start of the fire that it was impossible to check it.

Discovered by Miss Marjorie Rousseau of 167 North Main street shortly before 4 o'clock, the fire roared through the building in less than an hour.

Firemen, summoned by a box alarm, noting that it would be impossible to save the huge building, erected only a few years ago, concentrated their efforts on saving houses on Park street and South Main street.

Houses at 9 and 11 Park street and at 167 South Main street were set ablaze by huge sparks, pouring from the burning building and it was necessary for a while to keep streams of water on those houses to save them.

Buildings on the fairgrounds were badly scorched and so intense was the heat that a number of windows in the structures were cracked and broken.

The fire destroyed two of the main power circuits of the Central Vermont Public Service Corporation, bringing darkness to hundreds of houses in the city in the vicinity of Strongs avenue, Killington avenue and even as far as Baxter street and Library avenue.

The fire department's alarm was able to ring out only one round, due to its destruction. When the firemen arrived at Park street at 3.55 o'clock the automobile building was a solid sheet of flame and it looked as though every house on Park street and every building on the north side of the fairgrounds might go.

Fire Chief Alfred H. Koltowski, after sizing up the situation, decided that help was desperately needed and telephoned both Proctor and West Rutland.

Six lines of hose were laid by the Rutland department and for nearly an hour the department members had a desperate fight to save the houses on Park street and South Main street.

The new building, built at the entrance of the fairgrounds, where the ticket selling is taken care of during the fair, caught fire several times but each time the blaze was extinguished.

The flames illuminated the sky and could be seen miles away. Firemen in West Rutland and Proctor said they saw the illumination from the fire, as they went out to answer the alarm.

The north-bound sleeper, scheduled to arrive here about 4 o'clock, was halted and passengers aroused by the roar of the flames and the fire sirens, arose from their sleeping berths to see the flames.

A huge crowd, all attracted by the glare from the fire gathered, shortly after the alarm was turned in. The large sparks, which were thrown out from the building, started fires in hats, coats and other garments worn by the spectators.

All that was left of the automobile building, which had the largest floor surface of any building in the state, was a few pieces of wooden supports, the rest of the place having been burned to the ground.

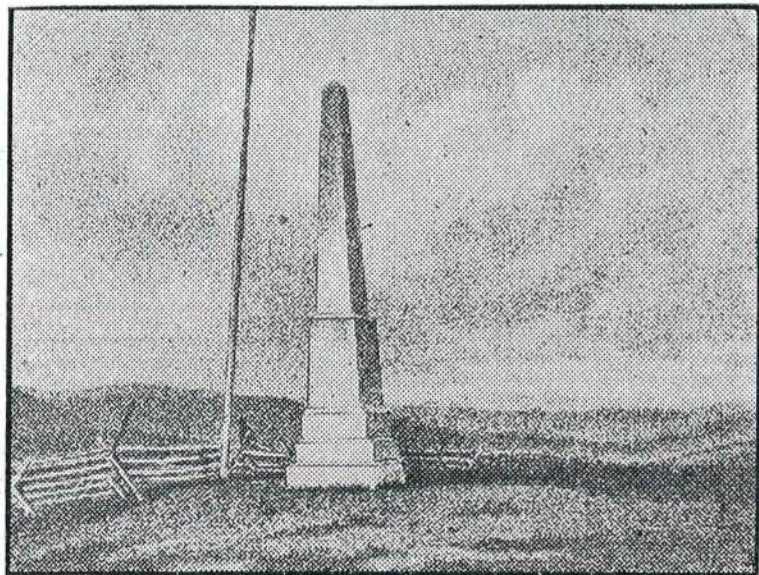
Fire Chief Koltowski was unable to state early this morning just what in his opinion caused the fire. He stated that the building was heated by an oil burning system, but was not able to state whether that had anything to do with the origin.

The miniature golf course was installed in the building early in the winter and was in use yesterday.

Rutland County in History

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No. 21—History Of Hubbardton



(Herald Photo)

Hubbardton Monument at scene of battle between Green Mountain Boys under Seth Warner and the British troops under Gen. Frazier.

BY MARY SPARGO.

As the scene of the battle between the Green Mountain Boys under Seth Warner and the British troops under General Frazier, which modern historians are beginning to recognize as one of the most significant in the Revolution, Hubbardton holds an important place in American history.

The town was chartered June 15, 1764 by Governor Benning Wentworth of New Hampshire. One of the grantees was Thomas Hubbard for whom the town was named.

The first settlement was made in the spring of 1774 by Uriah Hickok and William Trowbridge, who came with their families from Norfolk, Conn. The following year several families of pioneers came to Hubbardton. The list includes Samuel Churchill, William Spaulding, A. Webster, Benjamin Hickok, Jesse Churchill, Benjamin Boardman, and John Seleck, with their respective families. The town was organized in March, 1785, almost eight years after the battle.

On the morning of July 5, 1777, the little American garrison of Ticonderoga the fort captured so dramatically by Ethan Allen two years before, awoke to the fact that the British were in possession of the commanding point on Sugar Hill,

(Mount Defiance) and that defense of the fort was impossible.

Gen. Arthur St. Clair, a brave but shrewd officer, realized that to continue to hold the fort would mean death to all his men, and ordered a

retreat to be made that night under the cover of darkness, knowing his force inadequate to meet that of the British.

All would have gone well but for the fact that one Gen. DeFermoy contrary to the express orders of St. Clair, set fire to his house at the fort as he left it. The resulting glare in the early hours of the morning of July 6 disclosed the fact that the Americans were beating a hasty retreat.

Gen. Frazier, in charge of the advance corps of Burgoyne's army at once tried to get his troops together for pursuit but was delayed considerably because his men insisted on looting before they assembled. Thus it was that the Americans had a fair start.

All through that hot Sunday forenoon St. Clair and his army hastened through the wilderness knowing that the enemy in superior numbers was following closely.

Col. Francis in Command.

When St. Clair left Ticonderoga and Mount Independence he placed Col. Ebenezer Francis in command of the rear guard, but when he arrived in Hubbardton after that hot march of some 25 miles he put Col. Seth Warner in charge of Francis with his Massachusetts regiment, Col. Hale with the New Hampshire regiment, who with the Green Mountain Boys made up the rear guard which was to spend the night at Hubbardton, while St. Clair himself pushed on with his weary army to Castleton.

Of the selection of Warner to command the troops Walter S. Fenton of Rutland, in his excellent address delivered at the Sesqui-centennial celebration at Hubbardton in 1927, said "Circumstances as was St. Clair at that particular time and with the main object in view of saving his army, which was then being threatened by the close and vigorous pursuit of the flower of the English army, the command of the rear guard was one of the importance of which cannot be over-estimated. What was needed was a man of tried experience, of unwavering courage, of calm, cool, and collected judgment; one who enjoyed the absolute confidence of his soldiers, who could be relied upon in every situation, and whose loyalty to the cause would not admit of doubt. Such a man was Warner."

The British meantime (Sunday afternoon) halted to refresh themselves and wait for the coming of Gen. Riedesel, who was bringing reinforcements of Hessian troops, some distance from Castleton. After the arrival of Gen. Riedesel, Frazier marched forward about three miles near Hubbardton and halted for the night.

About 3 o'clock the next morning he resumed the pursuit of the Americans, and about five he came upon the pickets, stationed some distance from Warner's camp. These were soon driven back to the main body of the army.

Battle of Hubbardton.

The Battle of Hubbardton took place at an early hour, the two forces ranging themselves shortly after 7 o'clock the morning of July 7. Lined up within 60 yards of each other the Americans and British fought one of the most desperate battles of the Revolutionary war, the outcome of which was uncertain almost to the end.

As the engagement opened Colonel Hale with his New Hampshire regiment, possibly because of the enfeebled condition of so many members of it, retired from the scene of action and started a retreat to Castleton, leaving Warner in a most precarious condition. The move was injudicious from more than one point of view because Frazier had the road to Castleton covered by a small detachment, and Hale and his men were captured without the firing of a single shot.

Warner, Francis and their men fought bravely to overcome the British who outnumbered them two to one and the success of their efforts may be gathered from the fact that the British loss is placed by competent authorities at about 183 killed and wounded, while the Americans had only 96 killed or wounded, although 228 were made prisoners.

Although superior in numbers, and comprising the very flower of the British army, yet Frazier's troops might have been defeated but for the fact that at the critical moment, some of Francis' men, through a misunderstanding, fell back in retreat. At the same time Riedesel, who with his Hessians had been left behind the night before, arrived, his musicians playing, and his soldiers shouting. This completely demoralized the American forces who knew themselves in that moment to be hopelessly outnumbered. Despite the execrations of Warner, they started retreat. There was nothing left for Warner to do but to give the order to march to Manchester. The battle lasted a little over two hours but was as fiercely fought as any in the Revolution.

address to which reference was made above, says, "Considered in the light for which it was fought, namely the security of St. Clair's retreat, Hubbardton was a substantial success. The enemy received such a check on that day as to wholly disable them from the immediate effective pursuit of St. Clair." He says, too, that the Battle of Hubbardton aroused all the residents of the New Hampshire grants and called them all forth to defend their homes. Without the Battle of Hubbardton that at Bennington might never have been a victory.

To describe the scene of confusion at Hubbardton before, during, and after the battle is nearly impossible. Picture the settlers fleeing, some of them stopped and arrested by the British, homes looted, and women and children on horseback and on foot making their escape as best they could!

The Captain Justus Sherwood, mentioned in the history of Castleton, was in command of a group of soldiers who looted many Hubbardton homes at the time of the battle.

Rufus Wilmot Griswold, compiler of American literature, and editor of Graham's magazine, spent his boyhood at Hubbardton.

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SOME RUTLAND AREA EATING PLACES

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Rutland Soda Spa - 15 Center Street
 The Oriental Restaurant - 15½ Center Street
 Rutland Spagetti House - 141 West Street
 The Tea Shop - 25½ Center Street
 Hotel Elmore - West Street & Edson
 The Chinese Restaurant - 15½ Center Street
 Venetian Gardens Restaurant - 141 West Street
 F. W. Dignans' Restaurant - Evelyn Street

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Kong Chow Restaurant - 48 Center Street
 Rutland Restaurant - 55-57 Merchants' Row
 Lindholms Diner - 2 North Main Street
 Lookers' Diner - 174 South Main Street
 Terminal Restaurant - 124 Merchants Row
 Berwick Old Tavern - 39 Wales Street
 Bill & Mikes Diner - 1 Strongs Avenue
 Bobs' Restaurant - 45 Madison Street
 Boves Grill - 197 West Street
 Carousel Grill - 118 Merchants Row
 Casa Bianca Restaurant - 76 Grove Street
 Cedardale Dairy Bar - Pittsford Road N.
 Center Grill - 33 Center Street
 Fairmont Restaurant - 173 South Main Street
 Georges Restaurant - 53 Wales Street
 Howard Johnsons - RT 7 South
 The Ledges - 275 N. Main Street
 Lorraines Coffee Shop - 97 State Street
 Earl & Dicks - RT 4 East-Mendon
 MacFarlanes Snackerama - 223 South Main Street
 Macs' Deluxe Diner - 96 West Street
 Midway Diner - 120 South Main Street
 Nineteenth Green Restaurant - RT 4 West-Center Rutland
 OK Diner Diner - 153 South Main Street
 Palms Grill - 36 Strongs Avenue
 Pettit Restaurant - 64 Merchants Row
 Prouses Restaurant - 22 Center Street
 Ralphs Cafe - 71 Wales Street
 The Raven - 86 Strongs Avenue
 Rondeaus Grill - 13 Evelyn Street
 Swards Dairy Bar - 224 North Main Street
 Starlight Restaurant - 230 South Main Street
 Segales Restaurant - 31 Center Street
 SunSet Restaurant - 239 South Main Street
 Thomas Restaurant - 97B State Street
 Tonys Hideway - 150 West Street
 Valentines Luncheonette - 103 West Street
 Wheeler-Williams - 37 North Main Street
 Zemos Dugout - 95 State Street
 A&W Root Beer - 250 North Main Street
 Hotel Bardwell - 132 Merchants Row

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Bernadinas - 237 South Main Street
 Royals Hearthside Restaurant - 37 North Main Street
 The Carriage Room - 103 West Street
 Charlies Grill - 13 Evelyn Street
 Coach Light - 33 Center Street
 College Diner - 15 Melrose Avenue
 Dels' - 45 Madison Street
 Dic & Rays - RT 4 West - Center Rutland
 Florys Restaurant - RT 4 West - Center Rutland
 Gigis Restaurant - 174 South Main Street
 Hideway - 150 West Street
 Tiki Lounge - 39 Wales Street

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Back Home Cafe - 21 Center Street
 A&W Root Beer - 250 North Main Street
 Artful Dodger - RT 4 East - Rutland Mall
 SunSet Restaurant - 228 South Main Street
 Village Snack Bar - 389 West Street
 Wendys - 21 North Main Street
 Whirlaways - 10 North Main Street
 Wok Restaurant - 124 Woodstock Avenue
 Burger King Restaurant - 27 North Main Street
 Colonial Restaurant - 107 West Street
 Bonanza Restaurant - RT 4 East - Rutland Mall
 The Dagwood - 40 Center Street
 Friendlys Restaurant - RT 7 South Main
 Garbos - 63-67 Merchants Row
 Holiday Inn - 324 South Main Street
 Inn at Tenny Brook - 209 North Main Street
 K-Mart Restaurant - Rutland Shopping Mall
 Kentucky Fried Chicken - 153 South Main Street
 Korner Pocket - 148 State Street
 Lums - 239 South Main Street
 Maxies Tubs-Subs - 93 State Street
 McDonalds - 186 South Main Street
 Minards Restaurant - 2 North Main St. - 198 Woodstock Avenue
 Murphys Restaurant - 31-33 Center Street
 Office Bar & Grill - 197 West Street
 One Twenty-One West - 121 West Street
 Pops Place - 74 Grove Street
 Ronnies Pennant Pub - 86 Strongs Avenue
 Sals Pizzeria - 148 West Street
 Governors Table 1787 - 49 North Main Street
 Sirloin Saloon - 200 South Main Street
 Shortsleeves Coffee House - 128 Merchants Row
 South Station - 170 South Main Street
 Cortina Inn - RT4 Mendon
 Country Man's Pleasure Restaurant - Town Line Road
 Churchill's Restaurant - RT4 Mendon
 Red Lobster Restaurant - 288 South Main Street
 Denny's Restaurant - RT7 South Main Street
 Sugar & Spice - RT4 Mendon
 The Sandwich Shoppe - 52 Merchants Row
 Weathervane Seafoods - 124 Woodstock Avenue

EXPLORING WHERE WE CAME FROM

Vermont

PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE HERITAGE BY NAKKI GORANIN



Once A Scout Always A Scout

Vermont Girl Scouts Turn 98



I should start this article with a disclaimer. I am a former Girl Scout (Troop 1155 in Chicago) and proud of it. I loved wearing my uniform and spent thousands of hours of my childhood knocking on doors selling cookies and raising money for charity.

The Girl Scouts are celebrating their 98th anniversary.

It's always amazing to me the power one person has to change the world.

Compassionate and childless, Juliette Gordon Low drew a small group of girls to her Savannah, Georgia, home and started the Girl Scouts in 1912. At 51, she was a woman of independent means and an independent mind. Low's goal was to allow girls to become independent thinkers, develop healthy life foundations, and just have fun.

Two years earlier in Thetford, Vermont, Dr. Luther Gulick and his wife, Charlotte, established the first

Girl Scout Sunday 1969 at St. Paul's Universalist Church in Rutland. From left: Ellen Krouse, Louise Coolidge, Carol Martin, Nancy Martin, Betsy Martin.

Photo courtesy of Janet Martin

gathering of the Campfire Girls (based on the English Boy Scouts). While the Girl Scouts were focused on leadership, community service and art, the Campfire Girls were involved in a healthy outdoor lifestyle and craftsmanship (Gutlick had a summer camp for girls).

Juliette Gordon Low had a clear vision. In 1912, she wrote in the first Girl Scout handbook, that all girls should think about getting an education and also that they were "fully capable of making independent, good incomes by becoming doctors, accountants, scientists and aviators." 1912! After establishing the first badges, Low kept updating the list, for example adding in 1916 an aviation badge and a Morse code badge.

By 1917, Juliette, the daughter of a Confederate Civil War officer, established the first African-American Girl Scout troop. She also hired an accomplished black woman, Josephine Holloway, to be an important staff member.

Back in Vermont, women were hearing about this new group and were eager to start their own troops. In 1919 the first group was established in Wilder, followed by Rutland City. In 1919 women still did not have the right to vote, but that did not stop these Vermont ladies from establishing a program, financial support, and affiliation with a new national program.

One of these Rutland women, Shirley Perkins, had a daughter, Janet Perkins Martin, who today is still affiliated with the Girl Scouts. Both Mrs. Perkins, and her close friend, Martha "Pat" Curtis Tucker, have been involved with the Girl Scouts for over 79 years.

Starting with membership through their Sunday school class at Grace Congregational Church, these two women have worked in every capacity, including being director of Girl Scout summer camps. (In Vermont many of the meetings were held in different Churches. A friend of mine told me that in Newport, one had the choice of joining the Catholic or Protestant Girl Scouts.) However, it's very clear in reading the handbooks, organized religion was never and is still not intended to be a tenet of the Girl Scouts.

Martin said that in Rutland, in the late 1930s, some girls who wanted to become Scouts were told by the Catholic priest that it was forbidden. They joined anyway.

In the early 1930s Vermont girls were earning badges in laundering, hospitality, and needlework. By the late '30s, that was rapidly changing to scholarship, photography and camping.

Not all girls could afford to join the Scouts. Shirley Perkins started scouring secondhand stores and asking for donations of old uniforms for girls who had no

money. Uniforms came from as far as Florida.

Summer Scouting camps started here in Vermont, as well as New Hampshire. Women who had never worked before discovered they were very capable leaders, counselors and teachers. Even some husbands were pulled in (John Martin, Janet's husband, for example) to fill in as cooks and handymen and thus became "Honorary Girl Scouts."

Three years ago there was a summer jamboree for Vermont Girl Scouts at Shelburne Farms, and 5,000 girls and women showed up.

Today, the Girl Scouts are fully focused on preparing girls to become leaders and citizens with the skills to have successful lives. Over 13,000 girls belong to the Vermont-New Hampshire Council; 4,750 adults, work as volunteer leaders and mentors. Summer camps continue to present outdoor fun activities, but time is also spent on computer skills, math, and science. Multi-cultural experiences, world awareness and compassion are emphasized.

Juliette Gordon Low would be very comfortable in today's world. When I was in Savannah, I visited her house and much to my surprise, cried as I went from room to room. She really has impacted a lot of lives.

When Mrs. Low died at a relatively early age from cancer, she left quite a legacy. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. said in 1956, that the Girl Scouts were a strong force for desegregation (they ended all troop segregation in the early 1950's.) Today the Scouts allow any spiritual belief or private omission to be included in the Girl Scout pledge.

As for me, the happy scout, I had my first story published in the Girl Scout magazine when I was eight. I loved the work and thought that went into winning badges. I loved having a place to go to work on art projects, I loved the accomplishment of raising money for charity.

Juliette Gordon Low was buried in her Girl Scout uniform.

If you want to help or volunteer with the Girl Scouts call the offices in Rutland at 800-769-7452, or Bedford 888-474-9686. Their new program is "Girl Scouts Forever Green."

Nakki Goranin is the author of the 2008 book, American Photobooth. She just finished writing a book on tintypes and is already busy with the outlines of a book about Vermont aviation and two others at the request of her publisher, WWNorton.

D, FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 4, 1924.

JOHN C. TEMPLE, 76, DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Well Known Marble Manufacturer Had Been Ill All Winter; Seriously So for Week.

John C. Temple, 76, president of Temple Brothers, marble manufacturers, died at his home at 1 East Washington street late last night after a week's illness of pneumonia. He had been in poor health all winter.

Prayers will be said at the house tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock and the body will be taken to Shelburne Falls, Mass., where burial will take place tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

John C. Temple was born in Heath, Mass., April 28, 1847 and spent his early life in that town. For several years after coming to Rutland in 1879 he was employed as superintendent by the Ripley Marble company. In 1892 he organized, with his brother, the late David W. Temple, Temple Brothers, marble manufacturers of which he had been president since its inception. Prior to the organization of Temple Brothers, Mr. Temple was a partner in the firm of Everson and company, a Rutland marble concern.

Mr. Temple was a member of the board of alderman in 1901 and from 1910 to 1921, and was its president in 1913 and 1914. He was actively identified with several measures having to do with civic betterment and always played a prominent part in local city government.

Mr. Temple was a member of the Congregational church and served for a time as member of the prudential committee. He was also a member of Masonic fraternities, including Cairo Temple of Mystic Shriners, and a past commander of Killington Commandery, Knights Templar.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Packard Temple, one son, J. Raymond Temple of this city and five daughters, Mrs. Wesley E. Jones of Jacksonville, Fla., Mrs. Ernest Russell of Rutland, Mrs. Jacob Thiunes of New York, Mrs. George L. Kirk of Rutland and Mrs. Clifton E. Killary of Rutland.

April 3, 1924

RUTLAND DAILY HERALD

Fear J. C. Temple May Not Survive Night

At 2 o'clock this morning John C. Temple of 1 East Washington street, president of Temple Brothers, marble manufacturers, former alderman and school commissioner and prominent in Masonic circles, was in a dying condition at his home after a week's illness of pneumonia.

Mr. Temple, who is 76, has been in poor health all winter.

OBITUARY

April 7, 1924

J. C. TEMPLE.

The funeral of J. C. Temple, who died at his home Thursday after a long illness, was held Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Congregational church in Shelburne Falls, Mass., Rev. E. C. Boynton, pastor of the local Congregational church, officiating. Prayers were said at the Temple residence on Washington street Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock by Mr. Boynton.

The bearers were six past grand commanders of Killington commandery: F. E. Kinsman, Justus B. Hoadley, Frank Knapp, Cola J. Cleveland, George W. Hascall and Dr. A. W. Farnsworth.

The services were largely attended. Employees of the Temple Brothers Marble company and a delegation from Killington commandery, Knights Templar, acted as an escort from the house to the station.

The body was taken on the 10:25 train to Shelburne Falls and burial was in the Shelburne Falls cemetery. Among the flowers received by the family were set pieces from employees of the Temple Brothers company, Killington commandery, former business associates, relatives and friends.

Many relatives of this city accompanied the body to Shelburne Falls.



Temple Farm Rutland Vt

(Carroll Temple)
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Bud Jones
Family farm
Baxter farm

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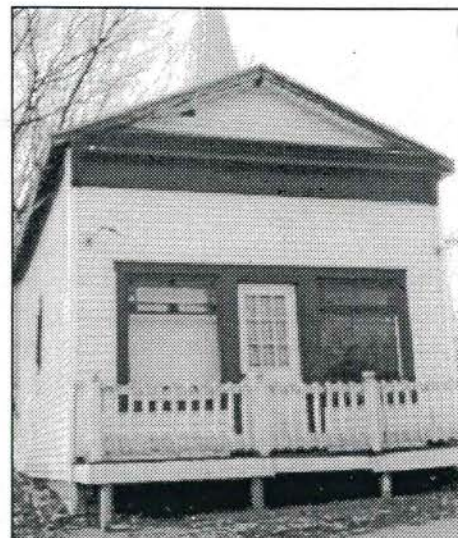
A LOOK BACK . . .

Center Rutland's Original Post Office

By Theresa Kulig

With the relocation of the Center Rutland Post Office to West Rutland, I was curious about how the mail might have been delivered in years past and also whether Rutland Town ever had its own post office. I turned to a 1991 book published by the Historical Society of Rutland Town, a book entitled *Rutland Town, A Collection of Stories Spanning over 200 Years of Town History*. I also spoke to town resident Mr. Lloyd Davis by phone and he helped with some of the information. Following is what I have found out according to the roster given to me by Brian Derr, the Postmaster in Center Rutland:

The "Centre" Rutland Post Office was established in 1850 with the first Postmaster being John Proctor. In 1892 the name was changed to Center Rutland. In 1920, Hollis Loveland bought a store that was located on Evergreen Avenue in Rutland City and had this building moved by horse and bobsleds to the corner of Route 4 and Depot Lane in Center Rutland, which is now home to the Pentecostal Church of Rutland County. This building was erected on land that was rented from the Vermont Marble Company. Mrs. Louisa Loveland, who was then Assistant Postmaster with William Byrne, became the Postmaster in 1922. In 1944, Mildred Murphy succeeded her, and during her time, she and her husband,



The original post office in Center Rutland was established in 1850. The building is now the Penecostal Church of Rutland County.

Daniel, purchased the building serving as the Center Rutland post office and the land from Vemont Marble Company.

In 1974 when Richard Flory was postmaster, the post office moved to Flory Plaza where it has been for 36 years. On April 1, the post office was relocated to the West Rutland Post Office, with the possibility of it coming back to Center Rutland in the future. I recently visited the Center Rutland Post Office and talked to Brian Derr, the Postmaster since 1989. As I realized that Rutland Town does not have a post office, but Center Rutland does, I was a little confused. Brian told me that Center Rutland is a village of Rutland Town, which made me wonder where the people of the town might have gotten their mail in days long ago. We surmised that the post office in Rutland City handled the Town mail as they do today. Mr. Lloyd Davis offered a theory about early town mail delivery. He told me there may have been unofficial mail stations in the town to handle the mail and where people could go to pick it up. In 1894 for seven years there was the Glen Post Office which was located where Plaza Appliance on Route 7 is now. Mr. Davis lived in the area where the new Dollar General Store is and remembers when he was young the mail was delivered twice a day.

Of course, early delivery of mail was done with horse and carriage. The first mail route for the Center Rutland Post Office was established in 1899 and served 600 people over a span of 20 miles. Presently the mail route for Center Rutland has 210 delivery points and covers 26 miles. Alden Williams was one of the first mail carriers and his annual salary along with the other carriers was about \$500 a year. No matter the weather or conditions the mail always got through.

Centre Rutland (Rutland) Vt Post Office.

Established	May 1, 1850
John B. Procter	May 1, 1850
William H. Liscomb	May - 185?
Peter Dudley	May 29, 1852
George R. Angier	Aug 29, 1856
James Lampton	Dec 6, 1858
Seneca M. Door	June 20, 1861
Mrs Roxanna W. Keyes	July 9, 1863
Henry C. Harris	May 25, 1882
Patrick O. A. Dolan	May 25, 1885
John J. Barrett	Dec 6, 1886
Name changed to Center Rutland	July 18, 1892
John J. Barrett	July 18, 1892
Elmer S. Slade	Feb 1, 1894
William F. Byrne	Sept 5, 1914
Mrs Louisa B. Loveland	May 12, 1922
Mrs. Mildred Murphy	Aug 2, 1944
Richard J. Flory	Feb. 23, 1974
BRYAN T. DERR	SEPT 23, 1989

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Portraits of a medical oddity discovered

By Lou Varricchio

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CAVENDISH—In 1848, Phineas Gage, a resident of Cavendish Village near Ludlow, made medical history. Within a few days, Gage went from being a promising railroad construction foreman to the focus of attention in the medical world. Now, two photographs, dating to the early 1850s, have been found; they are the first to show the face of the famous Vermonter—America's most talked about medical oddity of the pre-Civil War era.

The recently uncovered daguerreotypes show Phineas Gage as he looked shortly after the construction accident that changed his life until his death in 1860.

The unique daguerreotypes are the only known surviving image of the famous man other than a plaster death mask. The first image was uncovered a few years ago by a New Jersey couple; it was brought to the attention of the Harvard University Center for the History of Medicine and Smithsonian Institution only in late 2009.

As a respected constructed foreman, the 25-year-old Gage worked up and down the lines of the Rutland & Burlington Railroad—from south of Rutland and Ludlow, north to Middlebury and Burlington, and beyond. Always popular with the local girls, Gage cut a handsome profile in the bustling village of Cavendish.

But on Sept. 13, 1848, a freakish event would forever alter Phineas Gage—for the worse.

On that late summer day, Gage's crew was blasting rock to make way for a new rail cut. The athletic foreman used a harpoon-like iron rod, 43 inches long by 1.25 inches wide, to tamp explosive powder into a pre-drilled hole in the rock.

It's unclear what caused the initial spark that set off a premature explosion detonating the powder. The tamping rod, propelled at a speed more than 120 miles per hour, rocketed out of the hole; it ripped through Gage's skull and brain—via the lower left cheek, penetrating the left eye—and then exited.

The iron missile came to rest on the ground a few yards away from the dazed man. Remaining conscious, Gage alerted his crew; several of the men walked alongside the ambulating foreman to a nearby doctor.

"Here's business enough for you," Gage matter-of-factly told the village doctor. Business enough for generations of medical students to ponder. The examining physician was both horrified and astounded—here was a miracle that stag-

gered the scientific mind; the young man had survived the trauma of a missile's high velocity transit through flesh, brain, and bone.

Within a few days, while under the watchful eye of John Martyn Harlow, M.D., it was apparent that Gage was not the man friends and co-workers knew so well. Instead, his personality had changed for the worst. No longer reliable, focused, and polite-spoken, the young foreman became listless and foulmouthed. He uttered "the grossest profanity", according to Dr. Harlow.

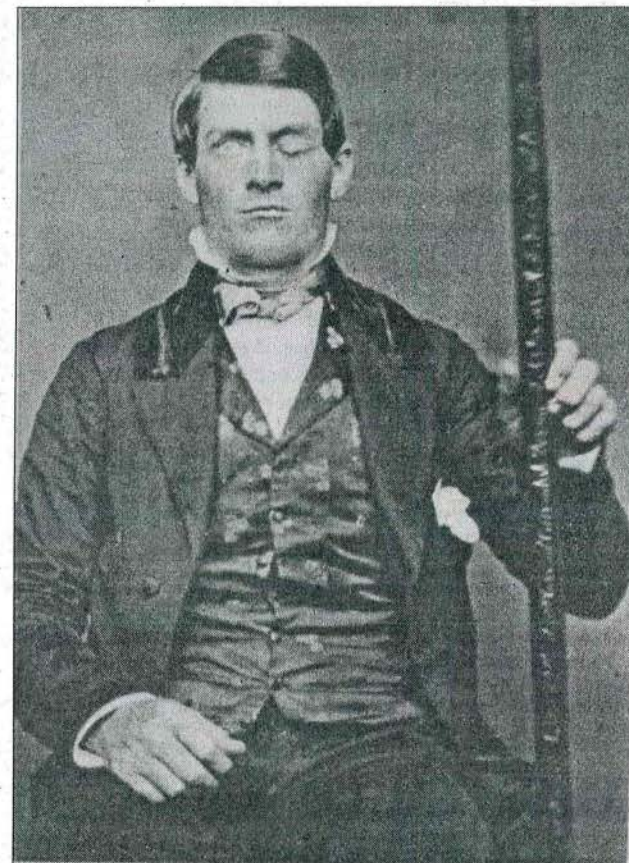
The R&B Railroad soon dismissed Gage and his wandering, wicked ways throughout the Americas became the stories of legend. To earn a modest income, the unemployable Gage worked as a sideshow freak making public appearances in New England and elsewhere. He died in San Francisco in 1860 after being taken by a violent series of seizures.

Gage was the focus of study for many neuroscience researchers. Thus, the New Englander became "the most famous patient in the annals of neuroscience...", according to Steve Twomey, who wrote about Gage in a recent issue of Smithsonian Magazine. "His case was the first to suggest a link between brain trauma and personality change." After his death, Gage's skull and a death mask were donated to Harvard where researchers still examine them.

Jack and Beverly Wilgus, the couple that had acquired the first Gage daguerreotype, alerted historians to the strange photo which shows a one-eyed man holding an inscribed iron rod. At first the Wilgus' thought the man in the photograph was a harpoonist, however, after several trained eyes examined the image and concluded the mystery man was Gage.

A descendant of Phineas Gage owns the second daguerreotype of the famous medical patient. After the Wilgus' announced their discovery in January, the Gage family descendant decided to go public with the second image.

Special thanks to the Smithsonian and Harvard Center for the History of Medicine for assistance in preparing this article.



The face of Phineas Gage, the most famous medical case of the 19th century. This daguerreotype is owned by Jack and Beverly Wilgus. A second Gage daguerreotype was made public just a few weeks ago.

Photo courtesy Smithsonian

The Rutland Evening News
November 13, 1926

RUTLAND MARBLE BEDS WERE SOLD FOR A HORSE IN 1800!

**Ward Brothers Launched the Industry Here By Chip-
ping Out Crude Hand-Tooled
Gravestones!**

Marble, the "gold" of Vermont, has played a big part in the history of this part of the state. In the first three articles of this series, the beginnings of the industry in other parts of Rutland County have been traced. The obstacles that were encountered have been described and the means by which they were overcome. In this article the history of the industry in Rutland itself is traced, going back as far as 1840.

Brandon came into its own as a marble center back in 1810. Not long after many openings were made in Pittsford and then still others were made near Brandon. The deposits found in the northern section of the county, however, were not regarded as reliable, in regard to soundness as those found elsewhere in the county. Deposits near Brandon, however, were found to be of vast proportions and now some marble of exceeding purity, fully equal to any in the world, is quarried in Brandon.

Rutland Appears in Story.

It was not until 1840 that Rutland came into the picture. Up to

that time the marble in this vicinity had lain, almost unnoticed in the valley at West Rutland. About that time the two Ward brothers started laboriously to split off fragments of the surface rock that formed the outcrop of the marble deposit near the base of the hills that cover the deposit on the East. They shaped these fragments with crude hand tools and lettered them, also by hand, for gravestones.

Sold for a "Third-Rater!"

Of so little value was the barren hillside considered, where now the largest quarries in the world are located, that only a few years before the marble industry of West Rutland came into its own, the greater part of this territory, now entirely covered by quarries, was given in trade for a third-rate horse.

But it was not long before the old pioneers came to the inevitable conclusion that the hills contained a wealth of the valuable stone. The next and concluding article of the series will trace the industry in the immediate vicinity of Rutland from the early part of the Nineteenth Century up to the present time.

The Rutland Evening News
November 15, 1926

WEST RUTLAND MARBLE FIELDS BOUGHT FOR \$12 AN ACRE IN 1820!

Pathos and Hardship Written Into Early History of Industry Here; Beds Called "Fool's Hole!"

No excitement attended the discovery and development of marble in Rutland County. There was nothing comparable to the "rushes" when gold was discovered in the West. The history of marble, on the contrary, has been one wrought with pathos, years of indefatigable labor, failure, insurmountable handicaps and disappointment.

In previous articles it has been narrated how the man engaged in the enterprise back in the early 1800's did all their work by hand; how they carved crude gravestones out of marble before it became popular as a building material; how financial failure gave the industry many setbacks; how poor transportation and lack of capital and the lack of power machinery all hindered the development of Vermont as a marble-producing state. This, the final article in the series, tells how Rutland County eventually came to contain the principal marble quarries in the world.

One of the earliest pioneers in the West Rutland industry was Smith Sherman of Castleton. He opened and worked a quarry about one mile south of the present one. Shortly after this, A. W. Hyde and Company made another opening in the same vein. Both groups sawed their marble at their own mills in Castleton and Hydeville. The territory upon which six of the quarries were located was purchased in 1820 by one of the oldest residents of West Rutland, a Mr. Hale. The land purchased consisted of 13 acres at \$12 per acre! It was bought for the valuable cedar timber contained in the swamp.

Burned Charcoal—Quarried Marble.

In 1832 a Mr. Barnes quarried marble on what is now the property of the Vermont Marble Company. On the retirement of Mr. Barnes Sr., the property fell into the hands of his son, William F. Barnes, who later proved to be the real pioneer or founder of the most important industry ever to be produced within the limits of Rutland County, if not the state.

Mr. Barnes Jr., commenced where his father left off. Being without pecuniary means, he spent his winters burning charcoal in the woods in order to obtain the money with which to work the marble beds, or, as his friends said, "to obtain money to throw into that fool's hole during the summer."

Offered Half of Marble for \$250.

He soon made his opening deep enough to satisfy his own mind of the hidden wealth a little deeper down. He determined that he should not fare as his predecessors had and he resolved upon a motto of perseverance. He needed financial

aid and so he solicited to help of A. W. Hyde of Castleton offering him one-half of the marble property at West Rutland for \$250. Hyde, however, saw no promise of the fruit that was so soon to ripen and he refused the offer of half the property, but he did consent to loan Barnes \$300, with the entire property as security.

Repaid His Loan.

The money obtained from Hyde enabled Barnes to demonstrate the great value of the land even beyond what his own imagination had conceived, and he produced more than enough merchantile marble to repay his loan within the first few months.

Just about this time William Y. Ripley came to Rutland from Baltimore. He had abundant means and offered Barnes all the aid he needed. The two men entered into a partnership, built what was then considered a large mill at Center Rutland and thus really started the marble business of West Rutland on the high road to prosperity.

Rutland Daily Herald
February 13, 1931

OLD CEMETERY USED AS DUMPING GROUND

Littler Cites Need for Supervision of West St. Burial Plot.

A meeting place for drunkards, a rubbish dumping ground for families living nearby, a playground for children and a "short cut" for pedestrians.

That's the way William Littler of North Main street, a cemetery commissioner, yesterday described conditions at the West street burial ground, just west of Pine street, where lie the bodies of at least 12 of Rutland's soldier heroes.

"Why—such conditions?" the commissioner was asked. He replied as follows:

Appropriation Inadequate.

"In the first place the appropriation of \$50, which the city votes to take care of the West street and North Main street cemeteries is too small to cover the work needed to be done.

"Second, there is a vital need for an iron fence entirely around the cemetery, to cut off intrusion from the Pine and State street sides. From those two openings into the burial ground come rubbish dumpers, drunkards, children who play ball over the graves of soldiers, men, who have gone so far as to cut trees on the cemetery land.

"Third, there is no one, living in the vicinity of that cemetery, who could report such incidents as the dumping of rubbish, the cutting of trees or the presence of drunkards. Myself and Mrs. Helen Foye, also a commissioner, are the only active cemetery commissioners and we live far from the cemetery and are not able to supervise it. I have worked there and the minute I left the place, I know that someone was undoing what I had accomplished.

Hay Remains Uncut.

"Fourth, the inability to secure money last fall at the time when it was needed to take care of cutting the hay, which was growing over the graves, made it necessary to leave the place in a most unsightly condition. I petitioned the board of aldermen for \$40 to cut down the hay. Seven weeks at least passed before the appropriation was granted, and by that time it was impossible to mow the grass."

Littler stated that until a few years ago the appropriation to take care of the cemeteries was \$100. At that time many families were glad of the chance to go into the enclosure and cut the hay, take it away and use it. Now, when no one will have anything to do with the hay, the appropriation is only \$50.

The commissioner stated that he had never even met Henry A. Cramton of Summer street, the third cemetery commissioner, and that all of the business of the commission had been transacted between himself and Mrs. Foye.

More Money Needed.

He recommended that the appropriation be increased; that this year a fence be built all the way around the cemetery; that a commissioner be appointed, who lives on either Pine or State street near the plot and that the city spend money to have the West street tract cleaned up.

He stated that he had been taking care of the North Main street cemetery, and that he kept a close watch over it to see that no one harmed the place.

To show just how much some of the citizens of Rutland think of the burial grounds, he cited the instance of a mother, who complained to Mayor Arthur W. Perkins that some of the headstones in the cemetery should be taken down, as they endangered her children, while they were digging sand in the plot.

TO ASK FENCE FOR WEST ST. CEMETERY

Commissioners Will Petition Aldermanic Board to Protect Plot.

Plans to present to the board of aldermen after election a petition for the erection of a suitable fence around the West street cemetery are being made by William Littler of 167 North Main street and Mrs. Helen Foye of 175 Woodstock avenue, who are members of the city board of cemetery commissioners.

Indignation aroused by publication of deplorable conditions at the burial ground, in which a number of soldiers and other prominent residents of Rutland are buried, has given the cemetery commissioners confidence that their petition will be well received by the board.

A short time ago Littler and Mrs. Foye described some of the desecrations at the cemetery which have been going on for several years. Littler related how persons had gone into the enclosure to cut down trees, how neighboring families had emptied rubbish into the cemetery, how children had used the plot for baseball and football grounds and how many used it for a short-cut in going to and from work.

Mrs. Foye went even further than that. She stated that on some occasions the tombstones in the cemetery had been used as a card table by gamblers, that drunkards frequented the place and left many bottles behind each year, that women had pastured cows and goats there, that children had pitched tents over the graves and that tombstones, fences and other cemetery property had been destroyed by children.

Believe Fence Solution.

Both cemetery commissioners are convinced that a fence built on the Pine street and State street sides would remedy the situation which has caused considerable unfavorable comment not only by residents of Rutland but also by persons from outside the city. Littler described the case of a woman from without the state who had relatives buried in the cemetery. Upon seeing the condition of the place, she asserted it was "a disgrace to the city of Rutland."

At the present time there is an iron fence on the West street side of the tract. The cemetery commissioners hope to have this extended all the way around. "The expense for the fence may be high, but it will do away with the trouble that has been experienced there," said Mrs. Foye. The cemetery commissioners have also suggested that a commissioner be appointed this year who lives near the West street burial ground. Commissioner Littler resides near the North Main street cemetery and has taken care of that plot for years.

DECLARES CEMETERY GAMBLERS' RESORT

Men Use Tomb Stones at West St. Plot as Card-Tables, Woman States.

"Desecrations that have continued at the West Street cemetery over a long period of years could be prevented by the construction of an adequate fence entirely around the burial plot," said Mrs. Helen Foye of Woodstock avenue, a cemetery commissioner, when interviewed at her home yesterday.

"Some of the things that have occurred at that cemetery have disgraced the city," she declared.

"When you find grown men playing poker on a tombstone, children pitching tents over graves, women pasturing cows and goats, and neighbors dumping rubbish in a cemetery, it would seem that it was about time to put an end to such conditions," said Mrs. Foye.

"For years and years I have tried my best to keep the West Street cemetery in good condition. My father and mother are buried in that cemetery and for that reason, among many others, I have been saddened by the desecrations there.

Steal From Soldiers' Graves.

"Can you believe that one hour after flags and flowers were placed by Civil war veterans in the cemetery in honor of their comrades, children have snatched them from the graves and carried them to their homes nearby. That condition has prevailed here during the past few years. We do not dare to place decorations in the cemetery, because they are soon stolen.

"I have gone to the cemetery time after time and asked children to desist from playing over the graves, but all they did was taunt me. Chief of Police Roy H. Leonard has always been willing to co-operate with me but when the police arrived at the cemetery, the children had fled.

Hang-Out for Drunks.

"Drunkards make the place a hang-out. One spring there were about six bushel bags of bottles gathered up and taken out of the cemetery, where some of Rutland's most prominent citizens of by-gone days are buried. In that cemetery are buried such men as Col. Hooker, Israel Smith, who served Vermont as governor, and nearly a dozen soldiers.

Appropriation Too Small.

"Each spring, Mr. Littler, who is the only other active member of the board of cemetery commissioners, and myself, take care of the cleaning up of the cemetery. The appropriation is pitifully small and is hardly adequate to take care of cutting the grass in the fall. If mowing the grass was the only trouble, things would not be so bad, but it is the rubbish, the trespassers, children, who turn the place into a playground, and the drunkards, that add to the troubles.

"The desecrations at the cemetery have not sprung up suddenly within recent years. It was nearly 12 years ago that I went to the cemetery and chased a woman, who was pasturing a cow there. A few days later I went down and found a woman pasturing a goat there. It wasn't long after that, that I found a colt eating grass over the graves.

"There was a little white wooden fence around the graves of my relatives in the cemetery. One day I was called to the tract and found that children had burned the fence down.

"The third member of the board of cemetery commissioners was appointed 12 years ago and to my knowledge has never done a thing about improving conditions at any of the cemeteries under our care.

Receives Many Complaints.

"Many people have come to me and complained about the conditions at the cemetery. The work of Mr. Littler and myself has been hopeless, because of inadequate fencing. Quite a few years ago, we erected a barbed wire fence on the State street side to stop trespassers from entering at that point. The morning after the fence was built, we found one section of it cut completely to pieces.

"If the city would immediately construct an iron fence, such as is built in front of the plot, on the Pine street and State street sides, I am sure that all trouble would be ended. The cost, in the eyes of the city government, might be considerable, but it would be the last as far as the West street cemetery is concerned. It would be a great investment for the future. I sincerely hope that it will be done. Then the gambling and drinking in the place of the dead will be ended."

Law Provides For Fine.

The state law provides that when selectmen of a village neglect to keep in repair the fence around a public burial ground the town may be indicted for such neglect by the grand jury of the county and fined not more than \$100 or less than \$50. The fine shall be used to take care of such repairs. Just what the status of a public cemetery without a fence on two sides would be, is something that Mrs. Foye would like to have cleared up.

S. OF V. ACTS IN CEMETERY NEGLECT

Rutland Camp Names Committee to Confer With City's Commissioners.

Aroused by the revelation of desecrations at the West street cemetery, Rutland camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil war, has appointed a committee of three to work with the Rutland cemetery commissioners in a movement to have a fence erected around the burial ground.

Israel F. Lassar of 138 Baxter street, Charles G. Daniels of 16 Tremont street and Joseph E. Dumas of 23 Elm street, who were appointed by the society already have discussed plans with William Littler of North Main street and Mrs. Helen Foye of Woodstock avenue, the active members of the board of cemetery commissioners.

Proposition of S. of V.

"If the city will build a fence around the cemetery, to prevent further desecrations, the Sons of Veterans plan to make improvements there that will prevent those in the city and outside the city from pointing to the place as a disgrace to Rutland," said Mr. Daniels last night.

He stated that if the fence is built the Sons of Union Veterans, assisted by the Boy Scouts, who have always helped with such work, will aid with the cemetery commissioners in cleaning up the place. The graves of a number of Civil war veterans, who are buried in the plot, will be rid of weed growth and the markers, which have fallen down, reset. If the grave markers are beyond repair, the Sons of Veterans will secure through the co-operation of the government, new ones to take their places. In past years all work of decorating the soldiers' graves in the cemetery has gone for naught, due to the fact that children and trespassers destroyed the improvements as soon as they were made.

To Petition Aldermen.

A petition from Mrs. Foye and Mr. Littler asking for a fence around the cemetery, will be sent in to the first meeting of the board of aldermen in April. At the same meeting it is expected that the Sons of Union Veterans will petition the board to build the fence.

COMMITTEE FAVORS FENCE AT CEMETERY

Aldermanic Group Soon to Make Plans for Burial Plot Improvements.

Announcement that the parks and playgrounds committee of the board of aldermen, of which he is chairman, would start work immediately on a consideration of plans for a fence around the West street cemetery, was made last night by Alderman, Charles T. Quigley of Center street.

"Just what will be done at the cemetery, I am not able to state as yet," he said. "The chances are, however, that a fence will be constructed on the east side of the burial plot soon. I also am in favor of fixing the underpart of the fence on the south side of the cemetery, so that no one will be able to crawl under it, as is now being done. I also approve the plan to close the entrance on the south-east corner to prevent trespassing. The fence on the south side will probably be painted."

Trees Are Dying.

Alderman Quigley stated that he would urge cutting down some trees on the west side of the cemetery, which are on the line near the Kinsman & Kills marble works. He stated that these trees are dying and are of no ornamental value.

Asked whether he favored the immediate construction of a fence on the State street side, a proposal which has also been made by the cemetery commissioners, Alderman Quigley said: "That has not been considered as yet and whether we will be able to do it this year is a matter of conjecture."

As the result of repeated desecrations at the cemetery over a long period of years, William Littler and Mrs. Helen Foye, members of the board of cemetery commissioners, and a committee from the Sons of Veterans petitioned the board of aldermen Monday night to construct a fence entirely around the cemetery.

The parks and playgrounds committee will report on their findings at the April 20 meeting of the board of aldermen.

ALDERMEN VOTE TO FENCE BURIAL PLOT

**Work to Start at West St.
Grounds This Year; Band
Payments Unchanged.**

In order to put a stop to desecrations at the West street cemetery, which have continued over a long period of years, the board of aldermen last night voted to start work this year on fencing in the burial plot—with the hope of completing the work in 1932.

The construction this year of a suitable wire fence on the east side of the cemetery and other improvements were recommended in the following report of the park and playgrounds committee, which was accepted by the board:

"In regard to the petition from the cemetery commissioners and the Sons of Veterans, presented to the board of aldermen on April 6, regarding the erection of a suitable fence on the east side of West street cemetery and on the north side, also, we recommend for the present that a substantial wire fence, similar to the one on the West street side be erected on the east side from the West street line to the north line of the cemetery.

"We also recommend that the fence, running east and west, be painted and that a filling be made on a line with the bottom of the present fence, sufficient to keep 'crawlers' out, and also that the two trees near the west side of the cemetery, be cut down and removed.

"As the budget provides no money for this expense, we recommend sufficient economy in other departments to do this work at once, with the hope that the north side fence may be erected in 1932, if necessary." The report was signed by Alderman Charles T. Quigley, Horace A. Colburn and Richard B. Spaulding.

Band Concerts Discussed.

After weeks of investigation, the park and playgrounds committee submitted a lengthy report to regulate the band concerts here—and then found that their work was out of order. President Esme A. C. Smith, after the report of the committee had been accepted and adopted, stated that all that the committee had power to do was select the band for the concert—not recommend the sum to be paid or say how or when the concerts are to be played.

In Hands of Mayor.

When the board was making appropriations for the year in January, a sum equal to one-half cent on the dollar of the grand list was appropriated for the band—with the mayor having power to regulate the concerts.

The park and playgrounds committee, unaware of this, submitted its recommendations in a report, that was accepted before City Clerk Harry B. Whittier informed the president of the previous action.

It was revealed that the report was out of order, after Attorney George M. Goddard, manager of the Rutland city band, had stated that under the terms in the recommendations of the committee, the band could not sign a contract for concerts.

Committee Recommendations.

The committee had recommended that the concerts should not start until June 14 and that they be given Thursday and Sunday evening thereafter until and including August 23; that no concerts begin while rain is falling and that concerts be halted if rain should start, even though the weather was fair at the opening. There were many other recommendations, in regard to attendance of band members, the arrangements for completion of postponed concerts and the use of the services of the band for special celebrations.

As the matter now stands the band will function on the same basis it has in previous years.

The board refused to approve a recommendation of the fire committee, that in the future all fire equipment be used for fighting fires only. The recommendation was introduced to prevent further use of the city apparatus in pumping out cellars after fires. Alderman Walter F. Burbank led the attack against the recommendation stating that it left no loopholes for emergencies.

After the lengthy proposed plumb-

ing ordinance had been read by City Clerk Whittier, it was voted to have it laid on the table until the next meeting. Some of the aldermen questioned the advisability of the ordinance.

James E. Creed and Burt H. Stickney, Spanish American War veterans, explained the hardships encountered each year in decorating the graves of their dead comrades in Rutland and vicinity and the board voted to recommend that the finance committee make an appropriation to take care of the work.

DESECRATION OF WEST STREET CEMETERY RECALLS FUTILE PLAN TO REMOVE BODIES

**Legislature of 1910 Named Commission to Consider
Advisability of Establishing Graves Elsewhere
and Leveling Grounds; Project Never Came
to Head; Plot Is Still Neglected.**

The West street cemetery, one of Rutland's earliest burial grounds, which has been much in the limelight for many years because of its neglect and consequent unkempt condition, was the subject of legislation in 1910, designed to bring about the removal of the bodies to some other suitable tract, but after two decades nothing has been accomplished toward this end and matters at the century and a quarter-old cemetery have grown steadily worse.

By Act 397 of the Vermont laws of 1910 a temporary commission comprising Henry O. Carpenter, then mayor of Rutland, Henry A. Harman, since deceased, Dr. Clarence F. Ball, then city health officer, and Egbert C. Tuttle, deceased, was appointed to look into the feasibility of removing bodies from the West street plot to some other suitable location.

In April, 1911 the commission organized by electing Mayor Carpenter as chairman and Dr. Ball as secretary. The names of the late Dr. Charles S. Caverly, then president of the state board of health, and Newman K. Chaffee were added.

The commission was authorized to receive gifts or donations or any appropriation that the city might make to cover expenses which it might incur and to provide for a new burial ground should it be deemed advisable to secure one.

Notice to Families.

The statute provided that families having relatives buried in the West street tract should be notified, if the commission deemed it advisable to move bodies, and that if the lot holders did not take steps to move bodies after a reasonable time, the commission might do so, also moving markers. In this case the commission was to recompense the families concerned with a lot in some other cemetery of equal value to the one confiscated.

The framers of Act 397 took consideration of sentiment that might be attached to the ancient grounds, however, for they provided that where graves had been established at least 15 years, they might be left undisturbed, if the families so indicated. There also was provision that the grave of Israel Smith, former governor and former chief justice, be left undisturbed if the commission saw fit, provided it be kept free from desecration.

Playground Suggested.

There was a provision in the law that after the bodies were removed the ground be made level and the enclosure used for a playground or some other public purpose.

The commission carried on an extensive correspondence but because of the long lapse of time since a majority of the burials had been made and the scant records at hand it was difficult to get in touch with descendants of persons buried at West street and the plan of establishing a new cemetery to provide for the removals was abandoned as unfeasible.

The commission never received any gifts of money. Act 397 provides that it shall hold office until dismissed by legislation.

Used By Grand Army.

There have been several sporadic attempts to improve the appearance of the ancient cemetery during the last quarter of a century. Few burials have been made there since Rutland became a city in 1892 but it has been a gathering place on each Memorial Day for the purpose of carrying out the ritual of the Grand Army of the Republic. At long intervals letters have been addressed to the press and complaints have been made to the board of aldermen as to the disreputable appearance of the enclosure. Little has been done except that successive boards of cemetery commissioners, appointed by the mayor, have cut the grass once or twice a season, using a portion of the small sum apportioned by the city for the care of cemeteries.

The result is that conditions have become steadily worse. Heavily weeded growths have obliterated the mounds of some of the distinguished earlier citizens—men who fought in the Revolution and in the Civil war—industry has been permitted to encroach on the sacred ground of the dead, markers have become broken and the fragments strewn about and the cemetery has become a lounging place for loafers.

A year or two ago the city on vote of the aldermen erected a substantial metal fence on the south and west sides of the enclosure, but the east and north sides are unprotected and there is nothing to prevent the public and stray animals from wandering in.

Fencing Is Ordered.

During the past spring agitation to improve conditions at the cemetery again arose. The present board of cemetery commissioners, which comprises William Littler, Mrs. Helen Foye and Henry A. Cramton, and members of Rutland camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, petitioned the board of aldermen to erect a suitable fence on the two sides of the cemetery which are unenclosed.

On recommendation of a special aldermanic committee, consisting of Charles T. Quigley, Horace A. Colburn and Richard B. Spaulding, the aldermen voted on May 18 to take steps at once to start work on the fencing with the idea of completing the task in 1932. Provision was also made to paint the fence on the south side, which faces West street. The painting has been done.

The erection of the new fence has not yet been begun, neither has the grass been cut in the cemetery and some of it is as high as the piles of broken grave stones, many of which are far removed from the spot where they were set up.

In only a few instances have graves or lots been cared for by descendants of the persons buried, for many years, at least.

The Vermont laws are specific to the duty of keeping up cemeteries. They provide that the selectmen or board of cemetery commissioners shall see that this is done; also that all funds received from sale of cemetery lots shall be kept separate from other town money and the income used for upkeep of such lots.

Laws Governing Cemeteries.

Section 4659, under Title 23, Chapter 196 of the General Laws of Vermont reads:

"When lots or walks in a public burial ground become from neglect disfigured with weeds or by an unchecked growth of grass, or unsightly from any other cause, or when headstones or monuments have become displaced, and there is no person residing in the town or vicinity whose duty it is to care for such lots or walks, who is of sufficient means so to do, the selectmen or board of cemetery commissioners shall, on written request of three taxpayers of such town, and within 10 days from the time of such request, cause such lots and walks to be cleared of weeds and grass, the headstones or monuments to be replaced or other disfigurements removed, and may draw orders on the town treasury for the expense incurred. The amount drawn from the treasury of a town for such purpose in any year shall not exceed \$50."

Sections 4671 and 4673 covering the use of money received from sale of lots, are worded as follows:

"Section 4671. The proceeds of such sale of lots shall be paid into the town treasury, and kept separate from other funds of the town, and subject to the order of said board, and, with the income thereof, shall be devoted to keeping in order, improving and embellishing such burial grounds, under the direction of said board. Said board may, if the town so votes, sell lots upon condition that the proceeds therefrom shall be paid over to the trustees of public money in trust, and the income thereof be expended by said board in caring for such lots and the structures thereon, and said board shall fix the prices for such lots and make regulations in respect to the sale and care thereof.

"Section 4673. Said board shall, at each annual town meeting, make a written report of its doings and of the conditions of the burial grounds placed in its charge, and an account of its receipts and expenditures, and the funds subject to its order."

Other sections of the General Laws pertinent to the case are as follows:

"Section 4666. In cases where it is impracticable to preserve a burial ground in proper condition, and the removal of the remains of the dead therein as required by a proper respect to the memory of the deceased, the selectmen or board of cemetery commissioners may, in their discretion, cause such remains to be removed and interred in a more suitable burial ground.

"Section 4670. Said board, by one of the commissioners appointed by it for that purpose, may grant and convey, for and in the name of the town, by deed, which shall be recorded in the town clerk's office in the town in which the burial grounds belong, lots in such burial grounds to be used for the burial of the dead and on which to erect tombs, cenotaphs and other monuments, and the lots shall be exempt from taxation."

Founded About 1810.

The land comprising the West street cemetery was originally owned by William Jenkins. It came into the possession of the town of Rutland about 1810, either from Jenkins or one of his heirs. There is no deed on record showing the transfer. This cemetery is not the oldest of the burial tracts established in the town of Rutland, one at Center Rutland and one on North Main street ante-dating it by some 10 years.

There are no records of early sale of lots in the West street cemetery, old residents explain this by the fact that it was not general custom for towns to sell lots to families. The towns secured the burial tracts, frequently by gift, and when a death occurred in a family, a lot was assigned, the families keeping such lots in order as a matter of pride and sentiment.

Enlarged in 1859.

An addition to the West street cemetery, privately developed, was made in 1859. The late John W. Cramton of Rutland obtained a tract of land adjoining it and cut this up into lots. There is a record of this "Cramton addition" on file at the office of the city clerk. Among the names of old Rutland families entered in the plan as lot owners are Samuel Merriam, Amos Weeks, Elizabeth Huntoon, George White, J. Capron, Mrs. J. R. Bates, John Cain, George N. Fish, Erastus Kelley and A. N. Wolcott.

There is no record of any fund ever being set aside for the care of West street cemetery specifically, in recent times, at least. The city has never had anything to do with the sale of cemetery lots.

Many Early Burials.

The greater number of burials in the West street plot were made during the early part of the last century. There are many in the thirties, forties, and fifties. After the Civil war they became fewer and since the mid-seventies there has been only an occasional one.

Evergreen cemetery at Center Rutland was established in 1860 and thereafter nearly all Protestant families living in this vicinity buried their dead in this more modern graveyard.

There are 12 Revolutionary war soldiers buried in the West street cemetery. They are: Capt. Jesse Hayden, Capt. David Tuttle, Capt. William Jenkins, Daniel Ford, Joseph Barney, Nathaniel Beaman, David Paterson, William Perry, Israel Smith, William Storer, Daniel Gleason and Moses Fay.

The city records contain the names of two soldiers of the Civil war who are buried in the West street tract, Robert Elliott and Thurston Elliott.

WEST ST. CEMETERY IMPROVEMENT URGED EVER SINCE RUTLAND BECAME CITY, 1893

Neglected Plot Long Bone of Contention Between Commissions and Aldermanic Boards.

The neglected condition of the West street cemetery, city records show, has been a bone of contention between various boards of cemetery commissioners and boards of aldermen almost since Rutland was incorporated a city in 1893.

Cemetery commissioners, in reports throughout the years from 1894 until 1908, complained rather bitterly of the fact that horses and cows were allowed to roam in the plot, that weeds and high grass grew rampant and that paths were worn down over the graves of the dead.

The commissioners recommended that the city appropriate money nearly every year for the upkeep of the old cemeteries in the city and that a substantial fence be erected around the west street burying ground "made with closed gates to keep out the constant travel from one street to another which now goes on." This last was written in 1904. The paths through the lot are still in existence and still in use.

First Complaint In 1894.

The first complaint in the city records about this cemetery, which is one of Rutland's oldest, was made in 1894 by the commission made up of B. W. Marshall, M. Quinn and G. F. North. The report follows:

"The attention of this commission is called to the three small cemeteries within the city limits (including the West street cemetery) which, neglected in many ways, are an offense to the enterprise and public spirit of the inhabitants of any well-ordered city.

"If a suitable lot adjacent to Evergreen cemetery could be obtained for the remains of those now in these small cemeteries, it would be a much more appropriate place, and if the city acquires title to these burial places when they are not in use for this specific purpose, there would be no expense incurred, as the value of the property thus acquired would exceed the costs of all removals."

In regard to West street cemetery, the commissioners of 1899, William A. Patrick, James P. Sawyer and Don A. Wilkinson, reported the expenditure of \$124.70 for "building 31½ rods of new picket fence, wired top and bottom, cutting and trimming trees and general cleaning up."

In 1900, the same commissioners paid out \$39.07 for paint and labor on the fence. In that year, the grounds were reported "in fair condition."

Markers Straightened in 1901.

Patrick and Wilkinson, who were still commissioners, in 1901, said in their report of that year: "Your cemetery commissioners have had all the grave stones righted up and many reset in their sockets and the ground leveled off to some extent in the West street cemetery.

In 1902, Patrick reported:

"Your cemetery commissioners have no report to make, as there was no appropriation made during the past year. We think it a great mistake not to appropriate something every year rather than have the cemetery look neglected.

Wilkinson and C. A. Parkhurst, in 1903, wrote:

"Your board of cemetery commissioners beg leave to report that the West street and North Main street cemeteries have been kept in proper condition during the past year. The grass was cut, many of the stones were cleaned and necessary repairs of the fences were made. The total expense was \$17.75, which includes some tools which we have on hand."

Fence Recommended.

Wilkinson, Parkhurst and A. H. Everson commissioners in 1904, reported:

"The board of cemetery commissioners beg leave to report that the West street and North Main street cemeteries have been kept cleaned up and grass cut during the past year at a total expense to the city of \$5.

"The fence in front of the West street cemetery is badly decayed and a new one will be needed by next year. Your commissioners suggest when it is built it be made with closed gates to keep out the constant travel from one street to another which now goes on."

In 1905, Parkhurst, Everson and Charles W. Ward wrote into their report: "The fence around the West street cemetery will have to be repaired in the spring and we recommend an iron fence on the street side.

Although the first request for a fence around the plot was made in 1904, the appropriation for this work was still lacking in 1906, when Parkhurst, Everson and Ward wrote as follows:

"Your cemetery commissioners beg leave to report that the West street and North Main street cemeteries have been very unsatisfactorily cared for during the past two years without any appropriation from the city.

Relatives Complain.

"During the past year many complaints have come to the commissioners from the public in general, as well as from people who have relatives buried in the West street cemetery, on account of cows and horses roaming around over the graves. Such a condition of neglect of a public burial ground should not be permitted.

"We hope that an appropriation will be granted during the present year as will enable this commission to cut the bushes and grass in both old cemeteries and build an iron fence along the street line at least of the West street cemetery.

At the end of 1907, the fence project still held the limelight in the report of the commissioners but the city fathers had evidently, for the fourth time, turned a deaf ear to the pleadings for an appropriation to cover the cost.

In the report of 1907, the same board as in the two years previous reported that \$50 was allotted for cemeteries during the year which allowed the upkeep of both cemeteries (West street and North Main street) but did not permit the building of a fence in front of the West street site. The board again asked

that the city make this appropriation.

Rubbish Carted Away.

In 1908, Commissioners Parkhurst, Everson and Fred C. Ives wrote as follows:

"We report that we have had the grass cut in the North Main street and West street cemeteries and have had four two-horse loads of rubbish removed from the West street grounds at a cost of \$11.38."

No report by the cemetery commissioners since the year 1908 appears in the city records.

In 1904, the first demand for a "substantial" fence around the West street site was urged.

In 1931, 27 years later, half of this project has been completed.

A substantial fence has been erected on the south and west sides of the lot while the north and east sides are still unprotected.

The matter of the erection of the remainder of the fence was under consideration by the board of aldermen a few weeks ago and was finally turned over to the commissioner of public works with power to act.

Fence Would Cost \$500.

However, no appropriation was made for this construction, which is expected to cost about \$500. The aldermen recommended that the commissioner of public works exercise economy in some other department in order to cover this expenditure.

In the past few weeks, workmen of the department of public works have cut the weeds and grass in the cemetery, seeded down the front of the lot and painted the fence.

House to Be Moved From Madison St. To Jackson Ave.

The task of moving a full-size house and annex through the streets in the center of the city will be started Monday morning when a residence now standing at 10 Madison street starts its journey to a new location at 35 Jackson avenue.

John Burton was given permission by the board of aldermen at its last meeting to move the house which is 24 feet wide, 34 feet long and 24 feet high. The house will be hauled by a truck through Madison and South Main streets and along Jackson avenue.

Burton stated yesterday that the moving operations which are expected to require four days will not seriously block traffic except when the turns are made on and off Main street. Only one electric wire will have to be cut along the entire route, others can be lifted to a sufficient height to allow the house to pass underneath. About two days will be required to move the annex which is 16 feet wide, 20 feet long and 20 feet high.

The house was removed from a lot which was purchased by Albert W. Edson of 8 Madison street for the purpose of extending the lawn about his home. A garage which was also on the property was moved next door to the property of James J. Hanrahan, 12 Madison street. A. Newman purchased the house which is to be moved next week. Burton was required by the city to furnish \$1000 bond to cover any damages caused by the moving process.

I. F. Lessor has been granted permission by the board of aldermen to move a building from the Delaware & Hudson yards to 138 Baxter street to be used for a garage and storehouse. This building will be moved in sections by motor truck.

Rutland Daily Herald
September 22, 1931

MOTOR TRUCK USED TO MOVE BUILDING

The story and a half house which was constructed on the lot at 10 Madison street is now en route to a new location at 35 Jackson avenue. The house is in the center of Madison street a few yards from the intersection of Madison and South Main.

A motor truck is being used as pulling power as the structure which is 24 feet high slowly creeps along on planking and rollers. It is expected that in three days more the house will have reached its new location.

Another section of the building, somewhat smaller than the part now en route, will be moved in two days' time, John Burton, contractor, stated.

Rutland Daily Herald
July 11, 1931

Local Marble Plant Quarrying Stone For Addition to U. S. Senate Office

Although the depression has greatly reduced activity in practically all lines of business, the Green Mountain Marble company of Clarendon Springs is working its quarry to full capacity on an order for 40,000 cubic feet of marble for the United States Senate office building at Washington.

There are about 150 men employed at the task of getting out this large order.

Edwin W. Lawrence of this city, an official of the company, who confirmed yesterday the report that the company has secured the contract, stated that the order will not be completely filled until November 1. While there are not as many men at work at the mill now as during the usual monumental season, the number of employees indicates that, at the present at least, the company is not badly affected by the depression, it was pointed out.

The marble, which is of the Clarendon white variety, will be used in building an addition to the Senate office building, Mr. Lawrence stated. The 40,000 cubic feet of stone will require about 120 railroad flat cars for transportation to the national capital.

Only the quarrying and sawing is being done at the Green Mountain Marble company's quarry and mills. The finishing will be done elsewhere. Some of the marble on this order has already been shipped to the finishing plant.

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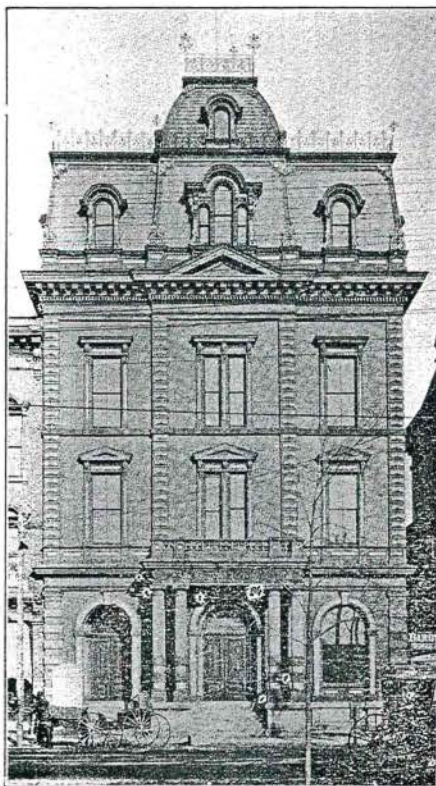
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 Bardwell Hotel Block, 132-142 Merchants row
 Berwick Hotel Block, 51 Center
 Burditt Block, 15 Evelyn
 Buxton Block, 61-63 Merchants row
 Cahee Block, 44-46 Merchants row
 Chaffee Block, 24½ Center
 Clement Building, 89 Merchants row
 Colonial Block, West nr Grove
 Cramton Block, 25-27 Merchants row
 City Hall Buildings, Strongs avenue and Washington
 Court House Building, Center, corner Court
 City Fire Station No. 1, City Hall Building
 City Fire Station No. 2, Nick-wackett, corner Center
 Dunn Block, 14 Merchants row
 Grand Theatre Block, 112 West
 Gryphon Block, 116 West
 Gryphon Building, 56½ Merchants row
 Hamilton Hotel Block, 164 West
 Hulett Block, 29 Merchants row
 Hale Block, 15-21 Wales
 Herald Building, 110 Merchants row
 Howley Block, 36-40 Center
 High School Building, Library av c Chestnut av
 Italian Aid Society, 415 West
 Keyes Block, 35 Evelyn, opposite depot
 Landon Block, 51½ Merchants row
 Madison Block, 60 Strongs av
 Marble Block, 24 Merchants row
 Masonic Temple, Washington opposite City Hall
 McIntyre Block, 25-29 Center
 Mead Building, 98 Merchants row
 Metzger Block, 60 Center
 Morgan Block, West, opp M. E. Church
 Neighborhood Room, basement
 Marble Savings Bank bldg
 Odd Fellows Temple, 7 S Main
 Olney Apartments, 20-22 West
 Public Library Building, West c Kissane pl
 Quinn Block, 125 West
 Rutland Savings Bank Building, 104-106 Merchants row
 Sawyer Block, 57-59 Merchants row
 Service bldg, 128 Merchants row
 Strand Theatre Building, 73 Wales
 Spencer & Canty Block, 16 Grove
 Sycamore Apartments, 24 S Main
 Tuttle Caverly Block, 9-11-13 Center
 Tuttle and Chase Block, 23 Merchants row
 U. S. Court and Post Office Building, Center corner Court
 Verder Block, 131 West
 Wales Block, 51 Wales

HALLS

- Apollo Hall, 82½ Merchants row
 Canado-American Hall, Rutland Savings Bank Building
 Dunn Hall, 67½ Merchants row
 Eagles Hall, 73 Wales
 Elks Hall, 106½ Merchants row
 G. A. R. Hall, 82½ Merchants row
 Knights of Columbus Hall, 21 Merchants row
 Knights of Pythias, Center
 Killington Lodge I. O. O. F. Hall, 7 S Main
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Bellevue avenue runs north from 42 Woodstock avenue to Temple street.
Brown street runs south from 100 Franklin street to South.
Burnham avenue runs west from 57 North Main to 60 Elm.
Campbell street runs from Meadow to Forest.
Center street runs from Merchants Row east to Lafayette.
Chaffee road runs from Clement road to Kelley street.
Chaplin avenue runs east from 210 South Main near fair ground.
Chase avenue runs south from Curtis avenue.
Cherry street runs from 48 Forest southeast to Franklin.
Chestnut avenue runs from 69 Williams north to Garden.
Church street runs north from 63 West street to North.
Cleveland avenue runs from 159 State street to Oak.
Clinton avenue runs east from 100 N. Main street to Davis.
Clover street runs west from 116 South Main to Strongs avenue.
Cold River road runs east from 270 South Main.
Columbian avenue runs southwest from State street (opp. Work House) to West.
Convent avenue runs west from 69 Forest street to Meadow.
Cottage street runs north from 87 West street to Williams.
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Curtis avenue runs east from 241 South Main.
Davis street runs north from 25 Temple to Clinton ave.
East street runs north from Jackson street to Woodstock ave.
East Center street runs east from 18 South Main.
East Washington street runs east from 34 South Main.
Edson street runs south from 102 West street to Willow.
Elm street runs north from 55 West street to Kendall ave.
Engrem avenue runs east from 78 S. Main to East.
Evelyn street runs from Merchants Row to West.
Evergreen street runs from 86 State street north.
Field avenue runs west from 256 North Main street to Grove.
Fifth avenue, a small lane running north from Union.
Forest street runs south from 226 West street to Park.
Franklin street runs west from the termination of Furnace street to 77 Forest.
Freeman ave. runs east from Stratton road, near head of Allen.
Freight street runs from 164 West to Evelyn.
Furnace street runs south from Union street to Franklin.
Gleason road runs from head of Woodstock to city line.
Gibson avenue runs west from 181 Granger street to Forest.
Granger street runs south from 86 Franklin street to Park.
Grant avenue runs east from 18 Elm street to Nichols.
Grove street runs north from 125 West, beyond the city line.
Harrington avenue runs from the reservoir to Stratton road.
Harrison avenue runs from 123 Mineral street to Park ave.
Hazel street runs north from 231 State street to Pine hill.
High street runs east from 122 North Main.
Holly street runs north from 115 Oak.
Hopkins street runs west from 99 South Main to Strongs ave.
Horton street runs south from 26 Curtis ave.
Howe street runs southeast from 19 Forest street to Franklin.
Ivy street runs south from 17 Moulthrop place.
Jackson avenue runs east from 90 So. Main to Stratton road.
Keenan road runs from head of Allen.

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Killington avenue runs east from 66 South Main to city line.
Kingsley avenue runs west from 102 North Main to 96 Church.
Lafayette street runs north from 61 Killington ave.
Library avenue runs west from 71 N. Main to Cleveland ave.
Lincoln avenue runs north from 39 West street to city line.
Linden street runs from Grove to Ash.
Locust street runs from Grove to Ash street.
Madison street runs west from 69 South Main to Strongs ave.
Main street crosses the top of West street. It is numbered north and south from West street, and traverses the city from its northern limits. The divisions are shown in the map as South Main street and North Main street.
Mansfield place runs east from 14 South Main.
Maple street runs west from 83 Grove street to Baxter.
Meadow street runs south from 272 West street to southeast corner of Catholic cemetery.
Melrose avenue runs west from 122 N. Main street to Church.
Merchants Row runs south from West street, opposite Grove, to Washington.
Mill Village (not shown in map) is the section of North Main street that runs beyond the city line.
Mineral street runs west from 63 Pine street to Cleveland ave.
Morse street runs east from Spruce, near C. & P. railroad crossing, to Forest.
Morse place runs north from 15 Madison.
Moulthrop place runs west from 153 South Main.
Mussey street runs south from 64 Allen street to Curtis ave.
Nickwackett street runs south from 92 Center to Washington.
Nichols street runs north from 27 West street to Kendall ave.
North Main street runs from the head of West street north to city line.
North street runs west from 141 North Main street to Grove.
Noyes avenue runs north from 131 State street to Robbins.

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Oak street runs west from 155 Grove.
Park avenue runs west from Grove street (opposite Mrs. Baxter's residence to Baxter street).
Park street runs west from South Main, near fair grounds.
Pearl street runs north from 75 Crescent street to Field ave.
Phillips avenue runs north from 23 Park street.
Pierpoint avenue runs north from State, west of House of Correction.
Pine street runs north from 185 West street to Park ave.
Plain street runs east from 164 Forest.
Pleasant street runs south from 26 Washington to Madison.
Post street runs south from 58 River street to South.
Prospect street runs south from 36 Washington to Strongs ave.
River street runs west from 20 Strongs ave. to Dorr bridge.
Roberts avenue runs west from 81 North Main to 82 Church.
Robbins street runs west from 41 Pine street to Baxter.
Royce street runs west from 79 South Main to 71 Strongs ave.
School street runs west from 33 Forest street to 26 Meadow.
South Main street runs from head of West, south to city line.
South street crosses Forest at 101 and runs east and west.
Spellman terrace runs east from East street.
Spruce street runs south from 70 River street to Plain.
State street runs west from 51 Grove street and forms a junction with West street, near Center Rutland.
Stratton road, east of the city, runs south from Woodstock ave.
Strongs ave. runs from southern terminus of Merchants Row, at Washington street, to So. Main (near fair grounds).
Summer street runs north from 91 State street to Maple.
Temple street runs east from 70 North Main.
Terrill street runs east from 1 South Main.
Travers place runs east from 12 Meadow.
Union street runs west from Evelyn street to 33 Forest.
Vernon ave. runs west from Lincoln avenue to Adams (north of Tenney brook).

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Wales street runs south from 70 West street to Strongs ave.

Washington street runs west from 33 South Main to Merchants
Row (opp. City Hall).

Walnut street runs west from 167 Grove to Baxter.

Water street runs north from State street to Mineral.

Watkins avenue runs north from 371 West.

West street runs west from 1 North Main to Center Rutland.

Williams street runs from 70 Grove street to Nichols.

Willow street runs west from 27 Wales street to Edson.

Wood avenue runs west from 121 Church street to 124 Pearl.

Woodstock avenue runs east from 30 North Main street to
beyond the city limits.

- 1867 - BROOK STREET - - North from Cain Street to Tanyard Creek
CAIN STREET - - Westerly from Grove Street to Baxter Street
CHENEY STREET - - Franklin Street to Forest Street
FURNACE STREET - - Union Street to Franklin Street
MAIDEN LANE - - Southerly from Cain Street to Mineral Street
MECHANIC STREET - - Center of Forest Street to west end of village
- 1872 - MINERAL STREET - - Westerly from 63 Pine Street to Cleveland Avenue
PERKINS AVENUE - - Easterly from Grove Street to Main Street
TURNPIKE STREET - - Main Street easterly to end of village
UNION STREET - - Uniting Evelyn and Freight Streets to Forest Street
- 1874 - GARDEN STREET - - Runs east from Grove Street
SPRING STREET - - From Grove Street to Pine Street
MOULTHROP AVENUE - - Runs west from 153 South Main Street
- 1899 - CAMPBELL STREET - - Runs from Meadow Street to Forest Street
CHAFFEE ROAD - - Runs from Clement Road to Kelley Street
IVY STREET - - Runs south from 17 Moulthrop Place
KEENAN ROAD - - Runs from head of Allen Street
Kissane Place - Runs north from 141 West Street

Streets and Avenues.

Adams street runs north from 75 North to Field avenue.
 Aiken place runs east from 44 North Main.
 Allen street runs east from 180 South Main.
 Ash street runs north from 128 Walnut.
 Baxter street runs north from 255 West to beyond Walnut.
 Bellevue avenue runs from 42 Woodstock ave. to Temple.
 Brown street runs south from 100 Franklin to South.
 Burnham avenue runs west from 57 North Main to 60 Elm.
 Campbell street runs from Meadow to Forest.
 Center street runs from Merchant Row east to Lafayette.
 Chaffee road runs from Clement road to Kelley street.
 Chapin avenue runs east from 210 South Main near fair ground.
 Chase avenue runs south from Curtis avenue.
 Cherry street runs from 48 Forest southeast to Franklin.
 Chestnut avenue runs from 69 Williams north to Library avenue.
 Church street runs north from 63 West to North.
 Cleveland avenue runs from 159 State to Oak.
 Clinton avenue runs east from 100 North Main to Davis.
 Clover street runs west from 116 So. Main to Strongs ave.
 Cold River road runs east from 270 South Main.
 Columbian avenue runs southwest from State street (opp. House of Correction) to West.
 Convent avenue runs west from 69 Forest to Meadow.
 Cottage street runs north from 87 West to Williams.
 Court street runs south from 40 West to Washington.
 Court square runs from 15 West south and east to South Main.
 Cramton avenue runs north from 375 West.

Crescent street runs west from 109 No. Main to Baxter.
 Curtis avenue runs east from 241 South Main.
 Davis street runs north from 25 Temple to Clinton ave.
 East street runs north from Jackson avenue to Woodstock avenue.
 East Center street runs east from 18 South Main.
 East Washington street runs east from 34 South Main.
 Edson Street runs south from 102 West to Willow.
 Elm street runs north from 55 West to Kendall avenue.
 Engrem avenue runs east from 78 South Main to East.
 Evelyn street runs from Clement bldg. Merchants Row to West.
 Evergreen street runs from 86 State north.
 Field avenue runs west from 256 North Main to Grove.
 Fifth avenue is a small lane running north from Union.
 Forest street runs south from 226 West to Park.
 Franklin street runs west from Furnace to 77 Forest.
 Freeman avenue runs east from Stratton road near head of Allen.
 Freight street runs from 164 West to Evelyn.
 Furnace street runs south from Union to Franklin.
 Gleason road runs from head of Woodstock to city line.
 Gibson avenue runs west from 181 Granger to Forest.
 Granger street runs south from 86 Franklin to Park.
 Grant avenue runs east from 18 Elm to Nichols.
 Grove street runs north from 125 West beyond city line.
 Harrington ave. runs from the reservoir to Stratton road.
 Harrison ave. runs from 123 Library ave. to Park ave.
 Hazel street runs north from 231 State to Pine hill.
 High street runs east from 122 North Main.
 Holly street runs north from 115 Oak.
 Hopkins street runs west from 99 So. Main to Railroad.
 Horton street runs south from 26 Curtis avenue.

Howe street runs southeast from 19 Forest to Franklin.
 Ivy street runs south from 17 Moulthrop place.
 Jackson ave. runs east from 90 So. Main to Stratton road.
 Kendall avenue runs west from 71 No. Main to Church.
 Killington avenue runs east from 66 South Main to city line.
 Kingsley avenue runs west from 102 North Main to 96 Church.
 Lafayette street runs north from 61 Killington ave.
 Library avenue runs west from 71 North Main to Baxter.
 Lincoln avenue runs north from 39 West to city line.
 Linden street runs from Grove to Ash.
 Locust street runs from Grove to Ash.
 Madison street runs west from 69 So. Main to Strongs ave.
 Main street crosses the top of West street. It is numbered north and south from West street, and traverses the entire city in both directions. The divisions are shown in the map as South Main street and North Main street.
 Mansfield place runs east from 14 South Main.
 Maple street runs west from 83 Grove to Baxter.
 Meadow street runs south from 272 West street to south-east corner of Catholic cemetery.
 Melrose avenue runs west from 121 No. Main to Church.
 Merchants row is the nearest business thoroughfare to the railroad depot, running north and south from West to Washington streets.
 Mill Village (not shown in map) is the section of North Main street that runs beyond the city line.
 Morse street runs east from Spruce to Forest.
 Morse place runs north from 15 Madison.
 Moulthrop place runs west from 153 South Main.
 Mussey street runs south from 64 Allen to Curtis avenue.
 Nickwackett street runs south from 92 Center to Washington.

Nichols street runs north from 27 West to Kendall ave.
 North Main street runs from the head of West street north to city line.
 North street runs west from 141 North Main to Grove.
 Noyes avenue runs north from 131 State to Robbins.
 Oak street runs west from 155 Grove.
 Park avenue runs west from Grove street (opposite the Baxter residence) to Baxter street.
 Park street runs west from South Main, near fair grounds.
 Pearl street runs north from 75 Crescent to Field avenue.
 Phillips avenue runs north from 23 Park.
 Pierpoint avenue runs north from State, west of House of Correction.
 Pine street runs north from 185 West to Park avenue.
 Plain street runs east from 164 Forest to railroad.
 Pleasant street runs south from 26 Washington to Madison.
 Post street runs south from 58 River to South.
 Prospect street runs south from 36 Washington to Strongs avenue.
 Rice avenue runs west from 59 Forest.
 Ripley street runs from Dorr bridge to "Brookside."
 River street runs west from 20 Strongs avenue to Dorr bridge.
 Roberts avenue runs west from 81 No. Main to 82 Church.
 Robbins street runs west from 41 Pine to Baxter.
 Royce street runs west from 79 South Main to 71 Strongs avenue.
 Scale avenue runs west from 97 Strongs avenue to railroad.
 School street runs west from 33 Forest to 26 Meadow.
 South Main street runs from head of West, south to city line.
 South street crosses Forest at 101 and runs east and west.
 Spellman terrace runs west from 85 East.

Spruce street runs south from 70 River to Plain.

State street runs west from 51 Grove street and forms a junction with West near Center Rutland.

Stratton road, east of the city, runs south from 186 Woodstock avenue.

Strong's avenue runs from southern terminus of Merchants row, at Washington street, to South Main (near fair grounds).

St. John street runs south from 170 Woodstock avenue.

Summer street runs north from 91 State to Maple.

Temple street runs east from 70 North Main.

Terrill street runs east from 1 South Main.

Travers place runs east from 12 Meadow.

Union street runs west from Evelyn to 33 Forest.

Vernon avenue runs west from Lincoln avenue to Adams (north of Tenny brook).

Wales street runs south from 70 West to Strong's ave.

Washington street runs west from 33 South Main to Merchants Row (opp. City Hall).

Walnut street runs west from 167 Grove to Baxter.

Water street runs north from State to Library avenue.

Watkins avenue runs north from 371 West.

West street runs west from 1 No. Main to Center Rutland.

Williams street runs from 70 Grove to Nichols.

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CITY OF RUTLAND STREETS

ALOEDIA ST.	old street name	for	HILLCREST ROAD
BATES ST.	"	"	CURTIS AVE.
BLANCHARD AVE.	"	"	SCHOOL ST.
BONVUE AVE.	"	"	GRANDVIEW TERR.
BROADWAY	"	"	STRONGS AVE.
CAIN ST.	"	"	CRESCENT ST. (GROVE-BAXTER)
CAIN ST.	"	"	PARK AVE. (GROVE-BAXTER)
CANTERBURY CT.	"	"	NEWPORT DR.
CHENEY ST.	"	"	CRESCENT ST. (CHURCH-MAIN)
CLARK ST.	"	"	HOPKINS (STRONGS AVE.-R.R.)
CROSS ST.	"	"	MEADOW ST. (sometimes)
DEACON SMITH RD.	"	"	ALLEN ST.
EDSON ALLEY	"	"	WILLOW ST.
FAIRVIEW ST.	"	"	DANA AVE.
FIELD ST.	"	"	COOLIDGE AVE.
GARDEN ST.	"	"	KENDALL AVE.
GARDEN ST.	"	"	LIBRARY AVE. (CHURCH-PINE)
GATEWAY RD.	"	"	WEST ST. (near city line)
GREEN ST.	"	"	KILLINGTON AVE.
GREENO RD.	"	"	GROVE ST.
KEENAN RD.	"	"	PERKINS RD.
KELLY RD.	"	"	CREEK RD.
LAUREL LN.	"	"	DURHAM AVE.
LIBERTY ST.	"	"	EAST CENTER ST. (east end)
LOCUST ST.	"	"	SHADOW LN.
LONG ST.	"	"	SPRUCE ST.
MAIDEN LN.	"	"	WOOD AVE.
MECHANIC ST.	"	"	CONVENT AVE.
MINERAL ST.	"	"	LIBRARY AVE. (BAXTER-PINE)
PERKINS AVE. NORTH	"	"	NORTH ST. (GROVE-MAIN)
PERKINS AVE.	"	"	NORTH ST. (MAIN-CHURCH)
PERKINS AVE.	"	"	CHURCH ST. (CRESCENT-NORTH ST.)
PERKINS AVE.	"	"	CRESCENT ST. (GROVE-CHURCH)
PHILLIPS AVE.	"	"	PORTER PL.
PINE AVE.	"	"	PREVILLE AVE.
RIVER ST.	"	"	MADISON ST. (sometimes)
SCHOOL ST.	"	"	WOOD AVE.
SIOUX PL.	"	"	MAHONEY AVE.
SPRING ST.	"	"	STATE ST.
STRATTON RD.	"	"	HARRINGTON AVE. (sometimes)
TATER ST.	"	"	McKINLEY AVE. (rutland town)
UNION ST.	"	"	FREIGHT ST.
VERMONT ST.	"	"	KENDALL AVE.
STATE ST.	"	"	COLUMBIAN AVE.

STREETS WHOSE NAMES HAVE CHANGED

From time to time various streets or sections of streets have been known by names other than those applied to them at the present time.

Old deeds and maps sometimes refer to them by former names and in an attempt to clarify them this list is prepared.

ALOEDIA ST. - Now Hillcrest Road
 BATES ST. - Now Chaplin Ave. *MAIN ST. TO R.R.*
 BLANCHARD AVE. - Now School St.
 BONVUE AVE. - Now Grandview Terrace
 BROADWAY - Now Strong's Ave.
 CAIN ST. - Crescent St. - Grove to Baxter also Park Ave.-Grove to Baxter *2 CAIN STS.*
 CANTERBURY COURT - Now Newport Drive
 CAUSEWAY ST. - Now East St. *QUESTIONABLE REF F/132 Q*
 CHERRY ST. - Shown on some old maps as Brown St.
 CHENEY ST. - Now Crescent St. - Church St.-Church St.- North Main St.
 CLARK ST. - Now Hopkins St. - Between Strong's Ave. and R.R.
 CREEK ROAD - Now Dorr Drive
 CROSS ST. - Some old maps show this as Meadow St.
 EDSON ALLEY - Now Willow St.
 FAIRVIEW ST. - Now Dana Ave.
 FIELD ST. - Now Coolidge Ave.
 GARDEN ST. - Now Library Ave. & Kendall Ave. - Grove to North Main
 GATEWAY ROAD - Now West St. - West at City Line
 GREEN ST. - Now Killington Ave.
 GREENO ROAD - Now Grove St.
 HARRINGTON AVE. - Deeds of about 1880 call it Stratton Road
 KEENAN ROAD - Now Perkins Road
 KELLY ROAD - Now Ripley Road - *CREEK ROAD*
 LAUREL LANE - Now Durham Ave.
 LIBERTY ST. - East end of East Center St.
 LOCUST ST. - Now Shadow Lane
 LONG ST. - Now Spruce St.
 MAIDEN LANE - Now Wood Ave.
 MECHANIC ST. - Now Convent Ave.
 MINERAL ST. - Now Library Ave. - Baxter St. to Pine St.
 NORTH PERKINS AVE. - Now North St. - Grove to North Main St.
 PERKINS AVE. - Now Crescent St. - Grove to Church & Church-Crescent-North
 PHILLIPS AVE. - Now Porter Place
 PINE AVE. - Now Preville Ave.
 RIVER ST. - Some old maps included Madison St.
 SCHOOL ST. - Now Wood Ave. - At one time there were two School Sts.
 SIOUX PLACE - Now Mahoney Ave.
 SPRING ST. - Now State St.
 TATER ST. - Now McKinley Ave.
 UNION ST. - Once included Freight St.
 VERMONT ST. - Now Kendall Ave.

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